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Super Stop & Shop Opens; Roof Caves In On Food Mart



POLICE OFFICER TERRY LETELLIER snapped these photos for *The Advertiser News* on Monday morning inside the Agawam Food Mart. IN PHOTO BELOW, Food Mart officials survey the damage. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



KATHY CASSANELLI, the "new" news editor of *The Advertiser News*, receives a walking tour of the Super Stop & Shop from George Pauley, vice-president and general sales manager, on preview night Thursday, January 6th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AAN Appoints News Editor

The Agawam Advertiser News today announced that Kathleen R. Cassanelli has been promoted to news editor, effective immediately.

Mrs. Cassanelli became the newspaper's School Department editor in August and has continued the long-standing tradition in *The AAN* of providing comprehensive coverage of the town's public schools.

However, *The AAN* has now made a firm commitment to expand its coverage of Town Council, Town Hall, and what's happening in general on the municipal scene. Mrs. Cassanelli will continue her duties covering the Agawam Schools and will gradually build on her new duties under the title of news editor.

A Springfield native, she has lived in Agawam for the past 14 years. She is a graduate of Cathedral High School and received a bachelor of arts degree from Westfield State College, summa cum laude, and was inducted into Alpha Chi, the National College Honor Society.

Her community credits include executive board member of Robinson Park PTO for seven years; Agawam Middle School PTO and Agawam Junior High PTO (serving on many committees and projects at all schools); and she helped to organize volunteers in Feeding Hills to serve the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen.

Mrs. Cassanelli resides in Feeding Hills with her husband, Stephen, and two children.

FEEDING HILLS PHARMACY CLOSES - Story Inside

Stop & Shop Opens With Gala Preview

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

On the night before the grand opening of their newest superstore in Feeding Hills Center, officials of the Stop & Shop Supermarket Company welcomed town officials and civic organization leaders to a pre-opening reception.

Vice President and General Sales Manager George Pauley said the pre-opening reception has become "something of a ritual for us. It's an opportunity to meet the town dignitaries and the townspeople."

With Tom Holt from WMAS-FM as the emcee for the evening, the nearly 500 invited guests, including Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, Town Councilors, and School Committee members, toured the store and sampled the many varieties of "food to go" prepared each day in the store. The Agawam High School Jazz Band provided entertainment.

Under construction for six months, the store is the 85th superstore operated by the regional chain. At 67,000 square feet, the store is indeed a large one in the chain.

Store Manager Emilia Miner said the store will employ 235 employees, of which 135 will be part-time positions. With most of the employees coming from Agawam, Feeding Hills, and Southwick, Ms. Miner said, "I think we hired every available person in the area." Approximately 40 area students have been hired.

"Hopefully, some of them will stay with us and make it a career," she added.

Cheryl Koveney of the Public Relations Department said the company was donating \$200 to the AHS band uniform fund drive. According to Scott Thomson, Music Department chairman, the donation put the fund over the top of its goal to raise the \$28,000 needed for the new uniforms.



AGAWAM RESIDENTS who are now employed by Super Stop & Shop in Feeding Hills Center include, from left - Rick Paiva, Art Forgues, Joslyn Luginbuhl, and John Loncrini.

Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



Throughout the evening, raffle tickets were sold to benefit the Agawam School System, with Stop & Shop promising to match the total amount raised.

Stop & Shop Plans To Donate \$\$\$ To Schools

Superintendent of Schools Bernard F. Ryder said he expects to be receiving approximately \$2,000 from Stop & Shop, as well as a set of encyclopedias for each school in the system.

Calling the store design "customer friendly," Pauley said the company is trying to recapture some of the "closeness" that customers used to feel from their local markets. In each department, the manager's photo and business cards will be displayed, and the meat department has been opened up so that there are no partitions separating the customers from the butchers.

Debit card machines have been installed, allow-

ing customers of YANKEE 24, Baybank XPRESS24, and NYCE the convenience of using their cards at the check-out counters.

With all the one-stop-shopping features associated with the superstore model, the new store offers the added attraction of the Uno Pizza Bakery.

"Uno is a new concept for us," noted Pauley. "This is the 10th one. We've had very favorable customer response since we opened the first one in April 1993."

New England's largest supermarket chain, the company owns 123 supermarkets in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New York.

Although assessment on the store has not been completed, Johnson said he expects the store to bring the town a sizable amount of tax revenue.

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Letters To The Editor

Welcome To F.H. Center: The Mechanized Metropolis

To The Editor:

The mechanized hum of motorized vehicles through the center of Feeding Hills can seem to have a mesmerizing effect on people. Actually, we don't see too many folks hanging around downtown Feeding Hills, so we can't be sure. Our town is a motorized mall, a kind of convenience drive-thru—and this is how we like it?

The obvious fact, however, is that many people pass thru Feeding Hills each day sheathed in their automobiles. I'd hate to oversimplify, but aside from the convenience shops, the banks and the post office, much else might not appear to be happening. Yet, if you look closely enough, even though it's not reported in the valley media, downtown Feeding Hills is a microcosm of the fate of America.

The realization of deteriorizing wages in our area may be a hard blow to local wage earners. The new Stop & Shop is providing jobs at \$4.50 an hour. Perhaps some would think this is a pittance for a primary family wage earner. It is an indication the cheap Chinese products we buy are manufactured by low paid workers.

These products have been imported and sold to us by our popular discount store chains during the past decade. Finally, our growing dependence on products made in the Third World may be affecting wages of New England's workforce.

When our local pharmacy, the last bastion of the old Feeding Hills Village Center, sells out to the newly arrived discount mart, one might feel that is the owner's prerogative. Yet, the women clerks we all know and respect at the pharmacy aren't part of the deal. We've known them working there for years. The only option for them is to take a demeaning minimum wage position despite their experience serving us.

In our age, where the small town has been consistently swallowed by suburban generating, high volume merchandising, why should we care? I, for one, would like to say to the ladies and various high school employees—Thanks.

Sincerely,
Damian Gormley
Feeding Hills

Efforts Of Agawam Firemen Appreciated By Resident

To The Editor:

Upon returning home on the evening of January 5th, 1994, I could see the reflection of the flashing red lights off of the siding of the neighboring houses. It's that time of year we so dread—the increase of icy-road accidents and fires from over-worked furnaces.

It was a bitterly cold night with a 15 MPH wind exacerbating the effects of a 13-degree air temperature. I hoped it was a false alarm and that none of our neighbors were in jeopardy. Much to

my dismay, as I slowly approached our residence, I was able to ascertain that the pumper and hook and ladder units were in fact parked directly in front of our house.

The four firemen had just disembarked from their trucks, as I ran to them questioning the situation. They had received a call from our concerned and alert neighbor Joanne Gentile and were on the scene within minutes.

After I allowed them entry into the house, I was impressed with the professionalism exhibited by each fireman. One asked several, deliberate questions, while another extinguished the fire in the stove. The third firefighter immediately attended to the cleanout, located in the basement, extinguishing that fire.

The fourth fireman, stationed outside, continued to observe the conditions at the chimney opening, constantly updating those inside of his concerns and recommendations. Within a short period of time, a very dangerous situation was rendered harmless.

I was amazed at the communication among these men. While much was verbal, more was non-verbal, with each man's actions defining what comprises a team.

Although I may be challenged as being overly concerned about a chimney fire, I maintain that when you, as a house owner, witness this ordeal first-hand, it does have a sobering effect. These men are first-rate professionals, and the citizens of Agawam and Feeding Hills have reason to show their pride and appreciation.

Our heartfelt thanks to Bob Mercadante, Rich Weld, Bill Pelley, and Joe Giordano. It is obvious that there are no words which can adequately express our sincerest appreciation to you all.

Sincerely,
Jack Cascio
Michele Mirlocca
Feeding Hills

Town DPW Did A Good Job During Recent Snowstorms

To The Editor:

Let it snow, let it snow ... and it did, for days! To our Town Department of Public Works people and John Stone, Director, let us all say "thank you" for a job well done. Their trucks were plowing and sanding day and night.

To our town residents—be thankful and proud we have the best DPW around. They proved it during this blizzard of 1994.

Cross Country Ski-Land—Agawam Town Golf Course?

Happily written by
Ed Barako
Feeding Hills

Holiday Season Rewarding For Open Pantry

To The Editor:

This past holiday season was rich and rewarding for the Open Pantry clientele. The Pantry received generous community support from individuals, churches, schools, community groups, and businesses.

We were able to provide Christmas food baskets, toys, warm winter clothing, and personal care items to everyone who qualified.

We at the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry are most grateful for this support and the confidence shown in the Pantry.

Sincerely,
Diane Crowell
Executive Director

Pet Owners Should Take Preventive Winter Measures

To The Editor:

All pet owners should be aware of cold weather hazards, which can be minimized by taking preventive measures.

Short-haired, very young, or older dogs may not be able to tolerate freezing temperatures and wind; these animals may benefit from wearing a sweater during walks. Salt and chemicals used to treat ice surfaces can irritate a pet's paws, so wiping these substances off the animal's feet is recommended.

Anti-freeze poisoning is a common occurrence. Anti-freeze spills should be wiped up immediately since cats and dogs are attracted to its sweet taste. Cats and dogs often become disoriented when the ground is covered with snow because familiar scents are eliminated.

Pets should wear current ID tags at all times. High snow drifts may provide an easy escape route for dogs in fenced-in yards. Cats seeking warmth sometimes climb into a car and snuggle next to the engine. Rapping on the hood of the car before starting it may awaken the cat and scare him/her away, thereby preventing serious injuries.

Concerned Citizens for Animals, Inc., does not endorse the concept of "outdoor" dogs and cats, since we believe that pets should be treated as family members. We recognize, however, that many pets have owners who have only marginal consideration for their animals' physical and behavioral needs.

The lonely backyard dog needs extra attention, if only for his/her janitorial care. These dogs require more food because they burn more calories just keeping warm. Water should be changed frequently so the dog is not left with a bowl of ice.

Proper shelter, required by state law, should be waterproof, windproof, and comfortable. The dogs' quarters should be kept clean at all times. Straw or cedar chips make suitable bedding, but hay is unacceptable as it may contain a fungus that can cause a serious nasal condition in dogs.

Readers who know of an animal that appears to be in distress from exposure to the weather or who is lacking in food and water can call the MSPCA to request an investigation. Getting involved may alleviate needless suffering.

Leona Doyle, President
Concerned Citizens for Animals, Inc.
184 Langevin Street
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Monday, January 17th
W. Spfld./Agawam La Leche League
At Grace Lutheran Church, W. Spfld.
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Tuesday, January 18th
Encore presentations of the program
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Community Room, Ag. Public Library
At 6:30 and 8:00 p.m.
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Tuesday, January 18th
Ag. Junior Women's Club to host
program with five AFS students
At Capt. Leonard House, Main St.
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Monday, January 24th
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Hundreds Attend Preview Night At Super Stop & Shop



AGAWAM RESIDENTS who were part of the huge gathering on Preview Night for the new Super Stop & Shop included, from left -Jane L. Sauter, Linda C. Geiger, and Nancy & George Hellquist. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



UNION MEMBERS who attended the Super Stop & Shop Preview Night included, from left Rick Brown, VFCW local vice-president; Ray Daigneault, Super Stop & Shop; Amelia Miner, store manager; Dick Abbow, union president; and Scott Macey, union member and member of Agawam School Committee. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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No Injuries At Food Mart A Lucky Break

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Under the weight of accumulated snow, a portion of the roof of Waldbaum's Food Mart on Springfield Street collapsed during the early morning hours of Monday, January 10th.

The six nighttime employees escaped injury as they were in the break room when the roof gave way at around 1:30 a.m.

Fire Chief David Pisano said a catastrophe was avoided only because of the timing of the roof failure. "Food Mart is a relatively busy store. Inevitably, there would have been injuries if customers had been in the store."

Much of the collapsed section of ceiling did not give way completely, but remained suspended two to three feet above the floor.

After determining that the store employees had all been accounted for, the Fire Department took immediate steps to shut off the gas and the electricity.

Pisano said gas lines in the ceiling, coupled with the possibility of electrical fires, created a serious risk of gas explosion.

Although the danger of gas explosion was "contained" on Monday, Pisano said the danger cannot be "eliminated" while gas and electric crews are working in the wreckage.

Building Condemned By Asst. Building Inspector
The building was condemned by Assistant Building Inspector Nick Urbinati, who was called to the scene in the early hours of Monday morning.

The store has been closed, and the front of the building is cordoned off with yellow tape to prevent anyone from entering the building.

Urbinati said the exact cause of the collapse would not be known until the structural engineer's report had been completed. Urbinati expected to receive the report on Wednesday, January 12th (presstime).

Urbinati said it appears that the first priority will be to shore up the front of the building so that the clean-up and rebuilding work can begin safely.

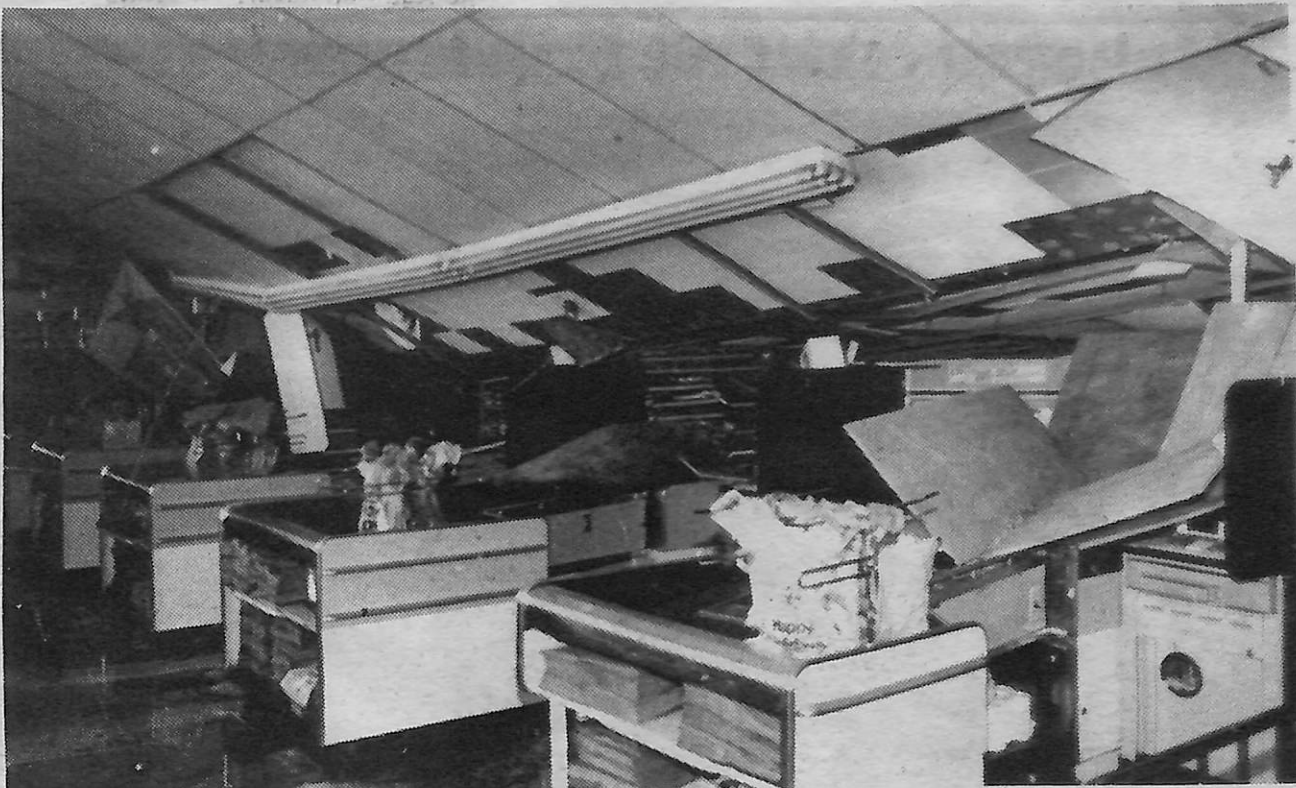
Kenneth Abrahams, president of Waldbaum's Food Mart, said approximately 20% of the roof collapsed into the front portion of the store (by the checkout aisles), and there is no estimate as yet on when the store can be reopened.

"We were very lucky that it happened when no customers were in the store and the six employees were in another part of the store," Abrahams said.

Ron Carr, director of construction for the company, was on the scene with a team of engineers attempting to assess the damages and begin the rebuilding process, Abrahams added.

"We will be working day and night to get the store open as quickly as possible," Abrahams said. "We are hoping our loyal customers who wouldn't shop anywhere but at Food Mart, will shop our stores in Westfield, Enfield, and Springfield."

Plans are being made to reassign the store's 220 employees to other Food Mart locations while the Agawam store is being rebuilt.



POLICE OFFICER TERRY LETELLIER provided *The Advertiser News* with the above photo of a portion of the Food Mart roof that crashed down on the cashiers' area; **IN PHOTO BELOW**, Agawam firemen climb up the ladder and onto the Food Mart roof. *Advertiser News* photo by Jack Devine.



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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1994** at 6:45 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of **C. WRIGHT PEARSON**, who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the alteration of a building at the premises identified as 1779 MAIN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald A. Hebert, Chairman

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Tuckahoe Turf Sports Complex To Be Aired At Meeting

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Drawing on his firmly held belief in the necessity of providing quality activities for all the children of Agawam, and his belief in the benefits of involvement in youth sports as a prelude to success later in life, Town Council Vice-President George Bitzas is working to make his dream of a youth sports complex to be located on the Tuckahoe Farms property a reality.

Bitzas is issuing an open invitation for anyone involved in youth sports or anyone interested in the future of youth athletics in town to attend a first-stage planning meeting on Monday, January 24th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library.

After viewing the land before the town purchased the parcel, Bitzas realized the flat terrain of a 10- to 15-acre section would be perfect for the type of athletic complex he had encountered in travelling with his sons to soccer tournaments across the northeast. Bitzas said the land could accommodate soccer fields, as well as playing fields for baseball, football, and outdoor basketball.

Bitzas hopes to garner the support of the business community as well as other local politicians and community sports activists to form a non-profit organization to solicit tax-exempt donations from area businesses to fund construction of the project.

Seeking the support of the Town Council in his efforts to create the sports complex, Bitzas said, "This is the time to put politics aside and to bring all the townspeople together to work together for the youth of our town."

"This is not a project for the next five to 10 years," he added. "This is for the future of all the youth of Agawam."

In the earliest planning stages of his vision for a sports complex, Bitzas enlisted the support of area businessman and former Town Councilor Daniel Lacienski.

Formerly an 11-year president of the Agawam Athletic Association, Lacienski said the land would easily support three to five soccer fields. He said it would be a simple matter to put four softball diamonds in the corners of a soccer field and to overlay the whole with a football field (to maximize use of the fields during the different sports seasons).

Noting that most of the athletic fields in town were built with donated expertise, labor, and equipment, Lacienski was optimistic that the proposed sports complex could be built with "a minimal amount of cash from the town."

With 1,000 children already involved in youth soccer alone, Lacienski said, "I think Agawam is a town very interested in youth recreation. I think there's going to be a lot of interest and support for this project."

Unaware of any concrete competing plans for the use of the parcel, Bitzas said the land would provide an ideal location for any future plans for building a school, especially with a sports complex already on hand.

Although there is currently a lawsuit pending in Hampden County Superior Court over the town's exercising its right of first refusal to purchase the land, Bitzas remains confident the town will ultimately emerge victorious in its battles with the Tuckahoe Development Corporation, represented by prominent local developer Ralph DePalma.

"I feel strongly that the town will win the lawsuit. We are on firm ground," said Bitzas.

Gov. Weld Seeking Citizen Input

Governor William Weld and Lieutenant Governor Paul Cellucci are seeking applications from the citizens of the Commonwealth for participation in their "Open Door Program."

The Open Door Program, established in the Spring of 1993, is designed to provide individuals with an opportunity to meet with the Governor or Lieutenant Governor to express their views about

state government and issues about which they are concerned, as well as to offer suggestions for improving the way the state provides services.

Individuals can request an Open Door application by writing to Michael Matarazzo, Director, Governor's Office of Community Affairs, The Open Door Program, Room 111, The State House, Boston, MA 02133.

Junior High To Be New Site For School, Council Meetings

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Beginning on March 1st, the meetings of Town Council and School Committee will move from the Agawam Middle School to the Junior High School auditorium.

In a memo dated December 29th, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson informed the Council and School Committee of the change, citing a lack of storage space at the Middle School for the broadcast equipment and the meeting apparatus as the reason for the move.

With more storage space available at the Junior High, Johnson said he has been assured of complete cooperation from the building administrators.

To ensure no interruption in the broadcast of the meetings over P.E.G. Channel 5, the Building Maintenance crew is currently installing the necessary cable in the auditorium.

Additionally, Johnson said long overdue work is being done to upgrade the stage lighting.

Long Term Advantages

Estimating the move will cost the town \$2,000 to \$3,000, Johnson said the town will be better off over the long term. As storage space has been lost at the Middle School due to expanding programs, the town has been forced to remove the meeting equipment from the school and store it in a truck, Johnson told us. Over time, the town will save money by eliminating this costly procedure, he added.

Although Johnson has had some negative response from some councilors and some School Committee members on the move, he said, "I personally don't care where the meetings are."

Calling it an administrative decision, the move was "inevitable," Johnson said. "The needs of the school come first. We work around the school needs."

If the work at the Junior High is not completed before March 1st, the meetings will remain at the Middle School in order for broadcast of the meetings to continue uninterrupted.

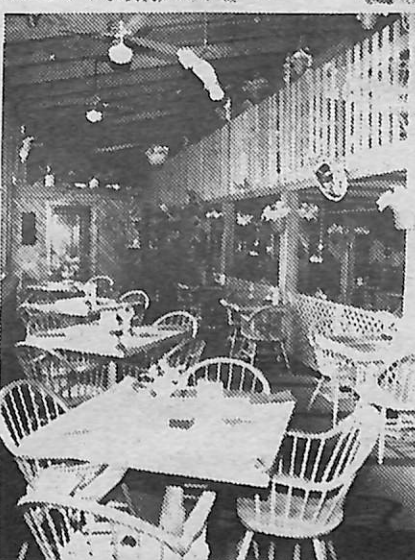
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Melconian Announces Senate Carry-Over Of Auto Insurance Reform

Senator Linda J. Melconian recently announced her decision to carry over the matter of auto insurance reform to the next legislative session, scheduled to convene later this month. The Melconian initiative would repeal the no-fault auto insurance system in Massachusetts and mandate a reduction in rates.

She stated, "It was clear that the leadership in the House of Representatives had no plans to bring this issue to the floor for a vote. It is frustrating that, for the third year in a row, consumer rate relief is stymied. However, this reform is too important to have risked even a small chance of dying at year-end.

"I recognized and respected," she continued, "the concerns of some of my House counterparts as to certain aspects of the bill—aspects which I sincerely hope we can readily address and, once and for all, move forward."

Melconian expressed her confidence that auto insurance reform and rate relief is indeed forthcoming. She described the effort as "revolutionary," a monumental step forward to abolish a system that is wrought with fraud, rewards irresponsible drivers, and which carries an artificial medical threshold.

Under the repeal, health insurers will be required to pay medical expenses from the first incurred charge. Melconian contends that this modification will control costs, monitor health care treatment, and eliminate unnecessary diagnostic tests with the emergence of more experienced carriers in managed care.

The bill would also require mandatory pre-suit arbitration and mediation which will, in turn, cut down any potential bottlenecks in the courts, cut down on unnecessary lawsuits and legal defense costs paid by insurance companies, saving millions of dollars. In addition, stiffer fraud provisions will be implemented, thereby reducing costs.

Melconian concluded, "Auto insurance reform is a legislative priority, and has come further in the last few weeks than in years in the legislature. We brought it literally from the graveyard, gave it the attention it demanded.

"This issue will not go away until we bring real—and long-awaited—rate relief to the consumer, and my bill will be a beginning to achieve a mandated rate reduction."

Retirement Party Set For Fire Chief Jenks

A retirement party for Agawam Fire Chief Rusty Jenks will be held on Friday, February 11th, 1994, at the Storowton Village Carriage House in West Springfield.

The party will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run until 12:30 a.m. The donation is \$25 per person.

For tickets, contact Fire Chief David Pisano at the Agawam Fire Department, 786-2662.

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IRS Says Employers Should Be Providing Employees With Proper Tax Forms

It is that time of year, when employers should be providing Form W-2, "Wage and Tax Statement" to their employees.

"Employers should furnish Form W-2's no later than January 31st. This would allow their employees to file their tax returns early and quickly and receive any federal tax refund due," said Gerard R. Esposito, Boston IRS District Director.

If an employee quits a job and asks for a Form W-2, the employer should give them a form within 30 days of the request or by January 31st, 1994.

Taxpayers should also receive statements in the 1099 series by January 31st. These statements include: Form 1099-DIV, Dividends and Distribu-

tions; Form 1099-G, Certain Government Payments; Form 1099-INT, Interest Income; Form 1099-Misc, Miscellaneous Income; Form 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRA's; Form SSA-1099, Social Security Benefit Statement, and Form RRB-1099, Payments by the Railroad Retirement Board.

Anyone who does not receive their W-2's or 1099's by February 15th, should call the toll-free taxpayer assistance line 1-800-TAX-1040 (1-800-829-1040).

Employers may be penalized \$50 each time there is a failure to provide a Form W-2.

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Rep. Walsh Supports Tougher Bill On Sentencing Criminals

When does 10 equal six or four or even one? When a variety of sentence curtailments allow convicted criminals who get sentences like 10 years in jail to actually serve only six or even four or even just one behind bars.

So say criminal justice advocates, like Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam), who believe such occurrences typify the problems currently existing in our system of dispensing justice.

To revamp current sentencing laws, Representative Walsh has endorsed the so-called "truth-in-sentencing" bill. Filed in the Legislature in association with the Boston Bar Associations, Crime and Justice Foundation, and Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, the truth-in-sentencing bill seeks to address the disparity between sentences and time served. The bill was adopted in the House this past week.

"Victims of crime, especially violent crime, are often sentenced to a lifetime of physical and emotional pain. Yet, with our existing sentencing policies, the perpetrators of crimes are often set free before their jail terms have expired.

"Among many positive impacts this bill can have on our criminal justice system, my action on it is to make sure that those who do the crime, also do the time, no ifs, ands, or buts," Walsh stressed.

According to Walsh, the bill restricts paroles to only those inmates who have already served at least two-thirds of their sentences and would abolish automatic "good time" credits which currently reduce prison terms by up to 40 percent.

In addition, a commission would be established to set sentencing guidelines and make recommendations to the Legislature regarding crime, sentencing and correctional matters. Once the guidelines were in place, judges who departed from them would have to write an explanation why.

Furthermore, prison overcrowding would be addressed by reviewing possible alternative sentences for non-violent offenders with little or no prison records.

"As public safety continues to be a top priority of mine, bills like this one which attack the symptomatic problems within our criminal justice system will receive my support. Along with trying to alleviate the root cause of crime, it is imperative that our criminal justice system responds with swift and sure punishment for those who are convicted," concluded Walsh.

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Fire Dept. Sets Outdoor Burning Guidelines

The Department of Environmental Protection has designated January 15th, 1994 through May 1st, 1994, for open burning in Agawam. CMR 310.707.

Certain guidelines have been established and must be adhered to. The Agawam Fire Department will issue and monitor each permit on a daily basis.

Permits will only be issued weather permitting and only to those locations meeting these conditions.

1. Activities associated with the normal pursuit of agriculture which have been determined by the Department as necessary and which include but are not limited to, open burning of blueberry patches for pruning purposes, dead raspberry stalks, fruit tree prunings, and infected beehives for disease control.

2. BURNING OF BRUSH, CANE, DRIFTWOOD, AND FORESTRY DEBRIS EXCLUDING GRASS, HAY, LEAVES, AND STUMPS FROM OTHER

THAN COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL LAND CLEARING OPERATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED.

3. Open burning of brush and trees resulting from agricultural land clearing operations.

4. NO GRASS, HAY, LEAVES, STUMPS, PAPER PRODUCTS, TRASH OF ANY KIND IS ALLOWED.

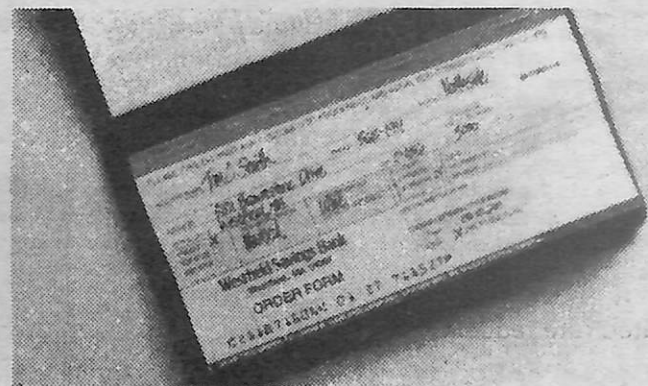
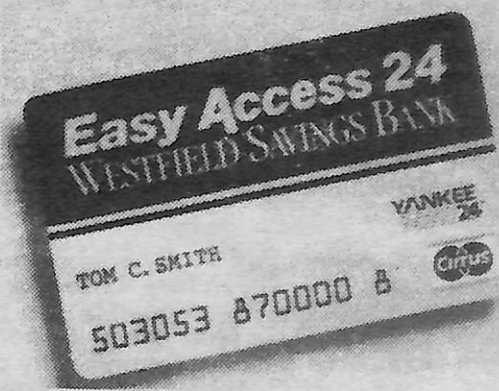
5. Burning shall take place between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL FOR PERMITS BEFORE 10:00 A.M.**

6. Burning shall be at a location greater than seventy-five (75) feet from any dwelling.

ALL PERMITS WILL BE ISSUED FROM FIRE HEADQUARTERS BY TELEPHONE. AFTER 10:00 A.M. THE BUSINESS NUMBER IS 786-2662.

DO NOT USE THE "911" NUMBER TO CALL FOR PERMITS.

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Residents Saddened As F.H. Pharmacy Closes Its Doors

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

After 31 years as a landmark in Feeding Hills Center, the Feeding Hills Pharmacy closed its doors for good at 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 6th.

With the message on the billboard in front of the store reading, "Thanks, Nel and Bob," and a handwritten sign posted on the door of their store, co-owners Nelson & Robert St. Marie bade farewell to their customers of over a quarter century as they announced a deal to transfer their prescription files to the new Super Stop & Shop that opened in Feeding Hills Center on Friday, January 7th.

The St. Marie brothers first opened their store in a building across the street (former auto parts store) before its present location was built in 1968.

According to local historian Marilyn Curry, the pharmacy shared the building with Spears' Hardware located in the basement.

Over the years, customers have come to depend on the personal service and friendly, small-town atmosphere created by the familiar faces behind the counter.

"...A Very Sad Day"

"It's a very sad day. I've been here for 28 years," said Beverly Cross as she said good-bye to her customers. "It's been like a family here. It's home away from home. We had one-on-one with our customers. That's what kept people coming back."

A customer for 14 years, Gail Pirnie of Feeding Hills said, "What I'll miss most is the friendliness of the people. They may not know everyone's name, but they know who you are."

According to Carolyn Dorval, a 17-year employee, many elderly customers left the store in tears on its final day of operation. "They're taking this very personally. They know they're not going to get the same attention at a large supermarket."

Seniors living in the senior housing on North Westfield Street often walked to the pharmacy only to find themselves unable to make the walk back. Carolyn or Beverly were always willing to drive them home, making sure they reached their apartments safely.

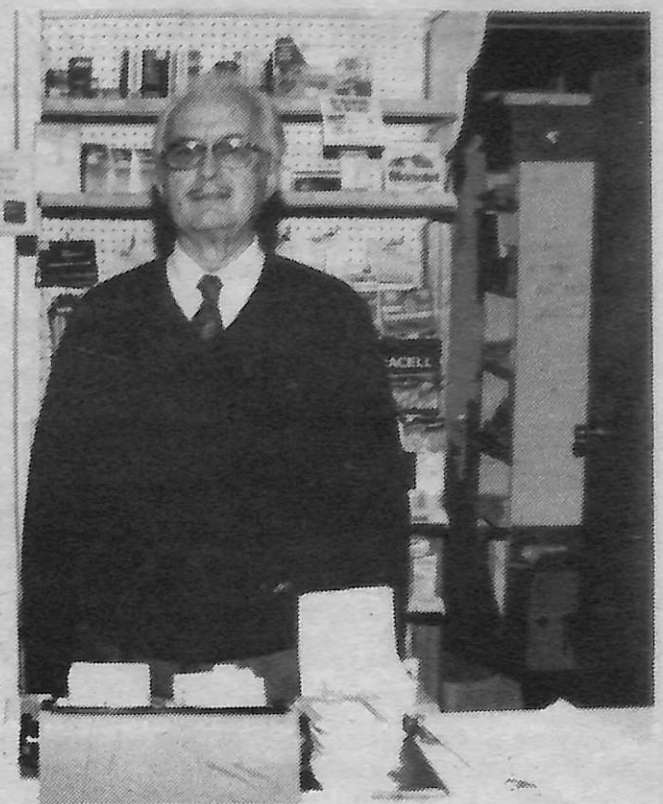
Retired secretary Lucille Fennell said in addition to losing the family feeling of being on a first-name basis with the staff, senior citizens will "miss the courtesy of their delivery service." Many seniors without transportation or without family living nearby relied on the pharmacy's home delivery service, said Mrs. Fennell.

A resident of the senior housing at Pheasant Hill, Mrs. Fennell added, "In my building alone, two people depend on home delivery and I have at least three other friends who also rely on delivery."

"Time To Go"

Citing growing concerns over the direction of health care delivery under the Clinton Administration, as well as pressure from third party prescription plans, Bob St. Marie said, "We could have remained in business for another five to 10 years, but we decided it was time to go."

St. Marie said he and Nelson have accepted positions in the pharmacy of the new Super Stop & Shop. His son, Robert, will be assigned to another store.



ROBERT (left) and NELSON ST. MARIE, the longtime owners of Feeding Hills Pharmacy, sold their business to neighboring Super Stop & Shop and closed the pharmacy after 31 years on Thursday, January 6th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DONNA BELLEFLEUR and BARBARA M. CHASE, both employees of Feeding Hills Pharmacy, said farewell to their many customers last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



BEVERLY CROSS (left), a 28-year employee of Feeding Hills Pharmacy, and Carolyn Dorval, a 17-year employee, were saddened by the store's closing last Thursday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Mass. House Of Reps. Moves To Get Parents To Support Children

The Massachusetts House of Representatives recently gave unanimous approval to a bill to strengthen the responsibility of parents to provide child support. Although pleased to have supported such an effort, Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) says it is a shame that such legislation is needed at all.

"It is truly unfortunate how neglected many of our society's children are today. While being a parent and raising a family were once cornerstones of the traditional values that contributed to our great society, all too often today's parents are turning their backs on children.

"Instead of caring and providing for them, many parents shirk their responsibilities by not even providing the most minimum of support. Hopefully this bill will force such parents to 'do the right thing' by giving their kids the support they deserve," Rep. Walsh commented.

To get parents to do the right thing, Walsh and his colleagues adopted the child support bill. In addition to giving the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) better access to financial records and authority to issue and modify routine child support orders, DOR will also be able to prohibit any licensing authority from issuing or renewing licenses of individuals who have child support arrearages and attach past due child support to Lottery winnings in excess of \$600.

"Never again will a Megabucks winner be able to avoid child support," stressed Walsh in reference to the recent Massachusetts case that caught national attention.

Additionally, the bill requires hospitals to provide unmarried parents with an opportunity to acknowledge parentage and add a father's name to a child's birth certificate shortly after the child's birth, a time when most advocates say a father is most willing to accept his paternity.

By doing so, parental responsibility can then be established should child support be a future issue. Estimates are that as many as 8,000 paternities a year could be turned into child support orders through such registrations, at a savings of \$21 million a year to taxpayers.

"Although I will continue to support efforts to make sure our children have what they need to establish a sturdy foundation, every dollar we get parents to rightly contribute to their child's rearing frees up another taxpayer dollar which can be used to attack many of the other critical needs our commonwealth has," Walsh concluded.

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Congressman Neal Calls For More Mammography Screenings For Women

Second District Congressman Richard E. Neal has written to Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala urging her to include increased access to mammography screening for women in their 40's and 50's in the Clinton Administration's comprehensive health care plan. According to the National Cancer Institute, 46,300 will die from breast cancer, and 183,000 new cases will be diagnosed yearly.

In September, Congressman Neal introduced the Women Health Services Act (H.R. 3203), which addressed two of the most devastating diseases currently affecting American women; specifically breast cancer and osteoporosis.

The bill would change current Medicare law to cover mammography screening services for all women over the age of 50 on an annual basis. Under the existing policy, Medicare only covers bi-annual screening.

The following is Neal's recent letter to Ms. Shalala:

January 5th, 1994

**The Honorable Donna Shalala
Secretary
Health and Human Services Department
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20201**

Dear Secretary Shalala:

I am writing to you about an issue that is of great concern to me; specifically, the level of mammography screening that will be included in the comprehensive benefits package under the Administration's Health Security Act. I am concerned that the Health Security Act, in its present form, will limit women's access to mammography at a time when these services are needed most.

Breast cancer, as you know, is the most common form of cancer in North American women. My home state of Massachusetts was the first to declare breast cancer as a epidemic. Frighteningly, statistics show that the rate of breast cancer

occurrences across America is on the rise.

It is my view that the mammography benefit presently included in the Health Security Act does not adequately meet the health care needs of American women. Based on a recommendation from the National Cancer Institute (NCI), the "comprehensive benefits package" in its present form does not include any mammography benefit for women in their 40's. For women over the age of 50, mammography screening will only be covered on a bi-annual basis.

It concerns me that other breast cancer advocacy groups, including the American Cancer Society, the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the American Medical Association, and the Breast Cancer Coalition, all support a mammography standard which is much richer than that which is included in the Administration's proposed benefits package. These groups all support a standard health benefit which includes mammography screening every one to two years for women in their 40's, and annually for women after the age of 50.

I am writing to ask you to reconsider the Administration's position on this important issue. I urge the Administration to support the inclusion of a mammography benefit every one to two years for women over the age of 40, and annually after age 50. This has been the standard women's health benefit for years, and should be continued under the Administration's health care plan.

Before mammography benefits are eliminated for vast groups of American women, studies must be done which thoroughly measure their outcomes on all age groups. Simply endorsing the most recent recommendations of the NCI into the comprehensive benefits package would be, in my view, a step backwards at this crucial time in our nation's history.

Sincerely,
RICHARD E. NEAL
Member of Congress

Town Council Agenda For January 18th

1. Citizen's Speak Time
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Minutes - Regular Council Meeting of 12/20/93; Minutes - Organizational Meeting of 1/3/94
5. Declaration from Council President
6. Presentation of Petitions, Memorials, & Remonstrances
None.
7. Report of Council Committees.
8. Elections
(a)
1. TE-93-11-Election of a regular member to the Board of Appeals to a term expiring January 1, 1997 (Postponed from 12/20/93).
2. TE-93-12-Election of an alternate member to

the Board of Appeals to a term expiring January 1, 1997 (Postponed from 12/20/93).

3. TE-94-5-Election of a member to the A.E.D.I.C. to a term expiring July 1, 1996 (Low Income).

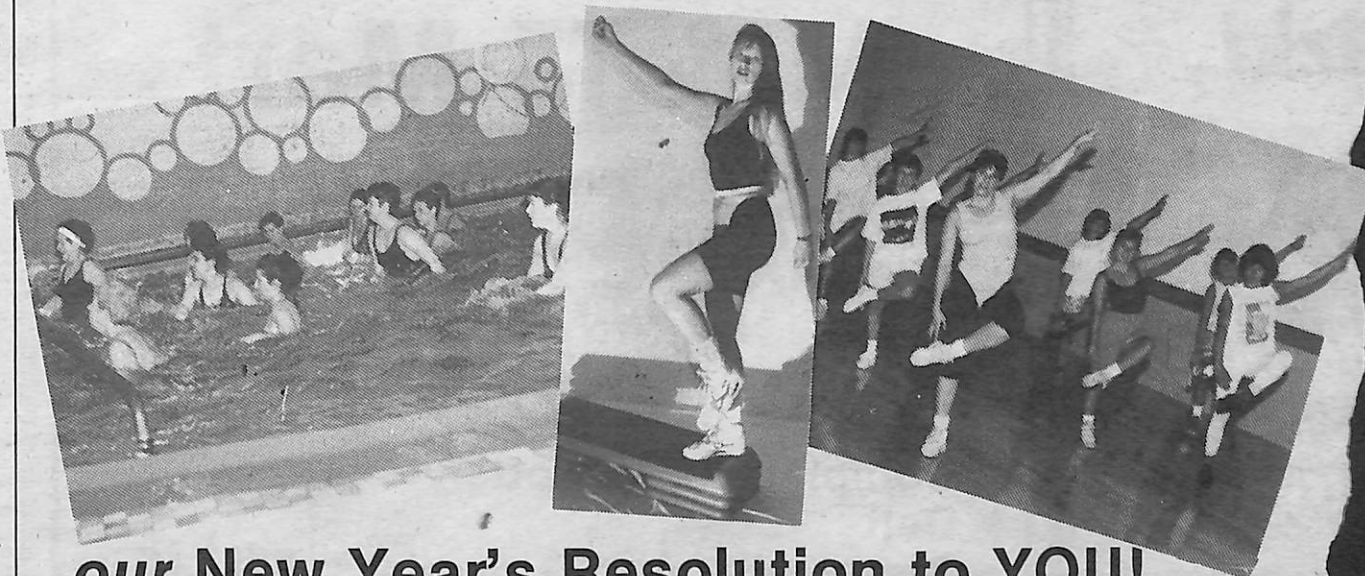
9. Public Hearings

(a)
1. PH-94-1-(TO-93-51)-Application for Class II Dealer License, J & M Auto, 1801 Main St., Agawam, MA (Conduct Public Hearing).

10. Old Business

(a) Orders
1. TOR-93-6-An Ordinance Establishing Section 3-8A of the Code of the Town of Agawam entitled "Municipal Golf Commission." (Mayor).
2. TO-93-36-Street Acceptance-Russo Circle, Pet. No. 93-1 (Tabled on 12/20/93).

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Agawam Obituaries

Kenneth T. Brown

Kenneth Taylor Brown, 79, of 269 Wemple Road, Stephentown, New York, and formerly of Agawam, a former state trooper and presidential escort, died at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

He was a State Police motorcycle patrolman, and was stationed in Lee and Pittsfield.

In the early 1940's, he was one of several state troopers injured while escorting President Franklin D. Roosevelt's motorcade in the area early in the 1940's.

Brown was required to retire on a semi-disability pension, after which he started a paper-hanging and painting business.

Born in Springfield, he was graduated from Agawam High School in 1932, and later the Massachusetts State Police Academy.

He showed and raised Weimaraner dogs, and once won 24 best-of-breed awards with one of his animals.

He and his dog, Tammy, were noted for helping to track lost people.

He was a Republican councilman and supervisor in Stephentown for several terms in the early 1980's, and lost his last election by one vote.

He was affiliated with the Federated Church in the Garfield section.

He leaves his wife of 36 years, the former Betty Sipperly; a son, Kenneth T. Jr. of Norfolk, Virginia; two daughters, Dorothy Dorgan and Rosemary Thomas of San Antonio, Texas; four brothers, Charles Jr., Noel Brown, and Everett Brown of Feeding Hills, and Albert of Southwick; four sisters, Vera Balch and Dorothy Harding of Tavares, Florida, Ruth Chandler of Lenox, and Jean Putney of Reading; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the Federated Church in Stephentown, with burial in Feeding Hills Cemetery this spring. Hall & Higgins Funeral Home of Stephentown was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 08, Stephentown, New York 12168, or the Lebanon Valley Protective Association, in care of P.O. Box 208, New Lebanon, New York 12125.

Carol L. Gallamore

Carol L. (Chandler) Gallamore, 77, of 88b Pheasant Hill Drive, Feeding Hills, a retired telephone operator at the St. Petersburg, Florida Junior College, died at Providence Hospital in Holyoke. She was previously a telephone operator at the old Town Hall in West Springfield.

Born in West Springfield, she lived in that town most of her life, and in Clearwater, Florida, for 19 years. She moved to Feeding Hills 15 years ago.

She worshipped at the First Baptist Church in West Springfield, and was in its Philathea Group. She was also a member of the Aoket Rebekah Lodge, the Eastern Star, and the American Legion Auxiliary, all in West Springfield.

Her husband, Sharman Gallamore, died in 1965.

Mrs. Gallamore leaves two stepsons, William Gallamore of Adams, New York, and John Gallamore of Rockville, Maryland, and two nephews and a niece.

The funeral was held at West Springfield Curran-Jones Funeral Home, with burial in the Paucatuck Cemetery this spring.

Phyllis V. Seidell

Phyllis V. (Lebra) Seidell, 62, of 84 Elm Street, Agawam, a former saleswoman at The Newsstand in West Springfield, died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield. She was previously a housekeeper at Noble Hospital in Westfield.

Born in Ashbury Park, New Jersey, she lived in Springfield for 25 years before moving to Agawam 35 years ago. She was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church, and a member of the American Association of Retired Persons.

She had also been active with the American Veterans Association, and was a former communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Springfield.

She leaves her husband, Edmond G. Seidell; a son, Paul A. of Agawam; two daughters, Anne L. Martin of East Longmeadow and Geraldine M.F. Seidell of Jersey City, New Jersey; three sisters, Mary Lebra, Geraldine Maynard, and Freida Settle of Feeding Hills, and a grandchild.

The funeral was held at Forastiere Funeral Home and St. John the Evangelist Church, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701-4680.

Juanita V. Whitsett

Juanita V. (Poole) Whitsett, 73, formerly of 54 Paul Revere Drive, Feeding Hills, died in a local nursing home. She was a clerk at the former Springfield Armory.

She was born and schooled in Greenville, South Carolina, and was graduated from North Carolina State University. She was a 52-year resident of the Springfield area, and a member of the Alden Baptist Church and its Courtesy Club.

She was fond of ceramics and crafts, and previously was a volunteer instructor at the Girls Club Family Center.

Her husband, Elwood Whitsett, died in 1983.

She leaves a son, Kenneth of Signal Hill, California; a daughter, Michelle Whitsett of Feeding Hills; a sister, Vivian S. Fudge of Springfield; a stepson, Ernest of Fresh Meadows, Queens, New York, and four grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held Friday afternoon, January 14th, in the church, with burial in the Oak Grove Cemetery. A calling hour will precede the funeral.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 813 Williams Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106. Harrell Funeral Home is in charge.

Adam Wojciechowski

Adam Wojciechowski, 84, of Heritage Hall West, Agawam, and formerly of Easthampton, died at Providence Hospital in Holyoke.

He was a resident of Easthampton from 1956, and worked in local industry.

He was born in Marchary, Poland, and was a veteran of the Polish Resistance in World War II. He leaves no close relatives.

A graveside service was conducted at the St. Stanislaus Cemetery in Easthampton, and Mitchell Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Dr. L.H. Doolittle

Dr. Lawrence H. Doolittle, 93, of Agawam, a pioneer in urology in Springfield, died on December 21st at Mount Ascutney Hospital and Health Center in Windsor, Vermont.

In 1929, he entered general practice in Springfield, and later attended urological clinics in Paris, France. He studied urology at the New York Postgraduate School and Hospital, and returned to Springfield in 1933.

He maintained a practice on State Street.

He was associated with the former Springfield Hospital (now part of Baystate Medical Center); The Cooley Dickinson Hospital and the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Northampton; Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer, and the Holyoke Soldiers' Home.

He served at the hospitals in several capacities, particularly in the urology departments and on medical and administrative committees.

Born in Torrington, Connecticut, he attended schools in New Britain, Connecticut, and was graduated from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, in 1922. He received a medical degree from the Boston University School of Medicine in 1926.

He lived in Agawam from 1934.

During World War II, he headed the urological services at Can Van Dorn in Mississippi and Moore General Hospital in North Carolina. He performed medical services in the Pacific theater, and was discharged in 1946 as a lieutenant colonel.

He was the widower of Dorothy E. (Winn) Doolittle.

He leaves a son, Jerome R. of Meriden, New Hampshire; a sister, Eunice Anderson of Meriden, and two grandchildren.

The funeral was private, and Stringer Funeral Home of Claremont, New Hampshire, was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the BMC staff memorial library fund, in care of Susan S. Dugan, director of development, on Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01199.

Stella Hart

Stella (Komros) Hart of 251 Cooper Street, Agawam, died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

She was a bookkeeper at the Longmeadow Country Club for many years, and had worked for many years at the former Leighton Accounting Co. in Springfield.

Born in New York City, she moved here 33 years ago. She was a communicant of St. Thomas Church in West Springfield.

She leaves her husband, Robert Hart; a sister, Olga Link of Huntington, Long Island, New York; a nephew, and a niece.

The funeral was at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and the church, with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, all in West Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church at 47 Pine Street, West Springfield, 01089.

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- Do not turn on the exhaust fan over the stove. This would suck the fire inside the walls of your home. If the fire is in your oven, turn off the heat and leave the door closed to cut off the fire's air supply.

- Install a fire extinguisher in the kitchen. Make sure it is easily accessible in the event of a grease or oven fire. When purchasing a fire extinguisher for kitchen use, make sure the extinguisher is rated for Class ABC fires to insure its acceptability for use on kitchen fires.

If the fire is inside the oven, close the oven door. This action should smother the fire.

If the fire is too large to safely cover, or for your fire extinguisher, leave the house immediately and call the fire department (911) from a

neighbor's telephone. Trying to fight a fire yourself when it's too large can cause far more extensive damage and can result in serious, unnecessary injury.

As a preventive action, keep your cooking appliances (including stovetops, burners, oven, and broilers) clean. Built-up grease can flare up easily,

causing dangerous and damaging fires. And keep combustible materials—paper towels, dish towels, paper bags, cookbooks, and food packaging—away from the stove or other heat source. Keep your kitchen fire-safe.

For further information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

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Ettabelle Beaudry

Ettabelle (Mossey) Beaudry, 88, formerly of 886 Main Street, Agawam, died in local nursing home. Born in Rutland, Vermont, she lived for many years in Springfield before moving to Agawam in 1966. She was a former member of the Agawam Golden Age Club.

Her husband, Willard S. Beaudry, died in 1974. She leaves three sons, Willard Beaudry of Clearwater, Florida, Clayton of West Springfield, and Donald of West Palm Beach, Florida; a daughter, Nina B. Bailey of Agawam; 15 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Colonial Funeral Home, with burial at the Hillcrest Park Cemetery in Springfield.

Lillian Hamann

Lillian (Mitchell) Hamann, 100, of Agawam, a retired art teacher in the New Jersey public schools, died in a local nursing home. She retired in 1949.

Born and schooled in Paterson, New Jersey, she moved to Florida in 1949. She lived in Agawam for the past 15 years.

Her husband, John E. Hamann, died in 1966. Mrs. Hamann leaves two nieces, Dorothy Kowaleski of East Longmeadow and Dorothy Hamann of Adelaide, South Australia, and a nephew, Robert Hamann of Honolulu, Hawaii.

Her son, John, was killed in action during World War II.

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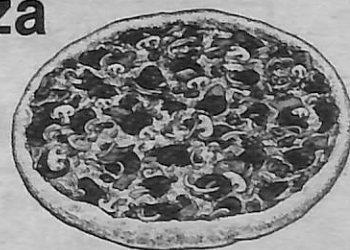


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Agawam Crime Prevention... The Myths & Facts Regarding Suicide

by Officer Wayne Macey
Agawam Police Department

During the past few years, Agawam has experienced the loss of two high school teenagers. Personal problems and an inability to cope brought these young men to take the all-too-viable alternative—suicide!

While the reasons for such drastic measures are not always clear, the symptoms are usually evident. It is our responsibility (and indeed our obligation) as parents to observe the signs and address them immediately.

The following text was prepared by Sergeant Jeremiah J. Manfra. It was intended for use in officer training at the Boston Police Academy; however, it has some valuable information for all whose lives have been touched—or will be touched—by suicide. ***

In many cases, the police officer is called to a suicide scene after the fact and can do nothing more than make a report and notify the proper agencies. However, there are many instances when a police officer may come into contact with a person who might be contemplating suicide.

It is this person that the police officer may be able to help. The most frequent contacts with possible suicides are family trouble calls, street confrontations, arrest-bookings, and subsequent jailing of the person. It is with these initial contacts that a person may give a warning sign that he or she might be thinking of suicide; if the officer is alert, a tragedy may be averted.

The following are some myths and facts surrounding suicide:

MYTH: Suicide happens suddenly and impulsively without premeditation.

FACT: Less than five percent of suicides result from impulsive, panic type behavior. More often, the suicidal thought arises as a fantasy; a way to resolve some personal crisis.

MYTH: The suicidal person rarely reveals or conveys his or her intentions to anyone.

FACT: Eight out of 10 persons who kill themselves have given some indication or warning sign and may have made at least one previous



THE WINTER OF 1994 is already off to a rousing start as the area was blanketed with over 22 inches of snow last week. Above, Carl Hopkins clears a walk on Campbell Drive. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

attempt.

MYTH: People who talk about suicide won't really do it.

FACT: Do not ignore any suicide threat. Statements like "I can't see any other way out" or "You'll be sorry after I'm gone," no matter how casually stated, should be taken seriously.

MYTH: Talking about suicide may give someone the idea.

FACT: You can't give a suicidal person morbid ideas by talking about suicide. Just the opposite is true; bringing up the subject of suicide and discussing it openly is one of the most helpful things you can do.

I think when all is said and done, it simply comes down to caring enough to listen to those calling out for help. In our everyday lives, we tend to get lost in ourselves, our jobs, and our own troubles; as a result, we realize all-too-late that, maybe, we could have helped.

Suicide is the final desperate act of someone unable to make contact with a listening, caring person. Those who feel it only happens elsewhere and to someone else, need only speak to the families of those who have recently experienced the loss. Unfortunately, suicide is no longer a stranger in town.

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Families

Brianna Couture's Rare Muscular Disease To Be Featured On Connie Chung's Show

by Peggy Shoemaker
Feature Writer

Paul & Theresa (Forgues) Couture, who grew up in Agawam, and their children, Brett (seven) and Brianna (three), are being interviewed on Thursday, January 13th at 10:00 p.m. on the CBS Newscast "Eye to Eye." This is the news program anchored by Connie Chung. Reporter Edie Magnes will be seen interviewing the local family.

In the improbable event that technical problems prevent the show from airing, it will be shown at the same time Jan. 20th. Miss Magnes, who has already been taped, is in Wales on assignment this week. It is planned that her introductory remarks with Connie Chung will be conveyed via satellite. (Thus, the possibility of technical complications.)

The interview will explore the three-year experience of the young couple in coping with Mitochondrial, a physical condition with which their little daughter was born. Mitochondrial is one of the 40 genetic neuro-muscular diseases recognized by the Muscular Dystrophy Association. With it, the dysfunctional brain stem does not convey the usual order of impulses for normal body function.

The television program will go into the Coutures' struggles with insurance and health providers to maintain the best possible services for their daughter in their home.

Filmed In Segments

The show was filmed in segments during the past two-and-a-half months, according to Theresa Couture. The writers wanted to show the child in situations that are unique, but usual, for her. Cameras were set up in her bedroom to show problems that occur during the night. Her third birthday party was filmed on December 12th (although Brianna's actual birth date is December 13th, 1990). The final segment was filmed on January 6th at the Couture's home on Lavendar Lane, Springfield.

"Brianna looks like any other three year-old, and it would take one a while of observing to realize she is not," her father said in a recent interview. "She walks, runs, plays, and learns. She has a nice smile and a great personality," he said proudly.

But due to the fact that the brain stem does not function normally, he explained, she doesn't feel hunger and as a result, has controlled feeding through a tube from the outside of her body directly into her stomach. Her breathing is often interrupted and she has temperature instability (making her susceptible to heat and cold; her temperature and breathing are monitored to alert the caregiver to a problem).

There are other medical technicalities involved. "Our greatest fear is that she will get sick," Paul said, "because then her body functions shut

down.

The Coutures and their TV hostess are discussing the couple's experiences with the world of medicine and health insurance, including the many ups and downs. They will raise questions about proposed national health bills and provide comments (drawing from their own experiences).



BRIANNA COUTURE

Five Attending Doctors

Brianna has five doctors at this time: a pediatrician, two metabolic doctors (metabolism specialists), a gastro-intestinal doctor (digestion), and a neurologist (pertaining to diseases of the nervous system). "They are the epitome of goodness and caring," Theresa said, but she doesn't feel that way about some individuals in the health and insurance fields that they have

dealt with. "We have seen both ends of the spectrum!" she exclaimed.

One nurse, Michele Klein of Chicopee, has been with Brianna for three years and Theresa considers this continuity important. Two nights a week, two nurses take eight hour shifts (so on those nights the parents' sleep is uninterrupted). Michele works days.

During the segment, the Coutures question how the government is going to give exemplary health care and still keep costs down. "There is often a conflict of interest between good care and costs," Theresa said, "and money is a powerful motivator (not always putting the customer first)."

Brianna presently has coverage by the state under the Kaileigh Mulligan Program, Paul said. "This allows families who don't meet the guidelines for Medicaid to get insurance (people who don't meet the medical criteria)," Paul said. "It allows children who would otherwise be institutionalized to get medical care at home."

The Coutures feel that care at home is both socially and cost efficient. "I just don't think Brianna would have developed as well as she has if she were in an institution instead of being at home," Theresa said. She enjoys the interaction of her children and says Brett just loves his little sister and is protective of her. Brett is in second grade at Brunton Elementary School in Springfield.

Asked how this TV program was initiated, Theresa said that an attorney she met, Vickie Ladin of California, a researcher for the Elisa Branch of the National Institute of Health, was discussing genetic discrimination with Michael Silverman, producer of "Eye to Eye." She brought up the Coutures' case and Silverman was interested. He contacted the local couple in October about developing the program, and they have been working on it since.

Hoping To Make Others More Aware

"At first I was reluctant," Paul said, referring to himself as a private person. "But then I began to feel our experiences should be told to make other persons more aware."

Theresa is the daughter of Arthur & Lucille Forgues of 250 Colemore Street, Feeding Hills, and Paul is the son of Beatrice & Normand Couture of Nile Avenue, Agawam. The couple graduated from Agawam High School and Paul is employed by Alpha Oil Company of Wilbraham.

The family has its supporters: the Ochoa Beauty Shop of East Longmeadow held cut-a-thons (haircuts) to benefit Brianna in 1991 and 1993, and there were golf tournaments for her benefit in 1991 and 1993 at Shaker Farms Golf Club in Westfield.

Encore Multimedia Program At Ag. Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce that due to unprecedented interest, an encore presentation of a program entitled "Introduction To CD-ROM Multimedia" will be offered, to be held in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library on Tuesday, January 18th at 6:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Once again, this discussion and demonstration will be presented by Tony Maniscalco, Professor of Chemistry and Computer Science at Springfield College.

Topics to be covered will include an overview of what multimedia is and what you can do with multimedia, Windows and DOS, and using a mouse. The program will also include a demonstration of several multimedia products, including the New Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia, and Compton's Interactive Encyclopedia.

cyclopedia.

Participants will have time to try out the multimedia software for themselves.

This program is part of a Federal grant entitled "Students' High Tech Multimedia Education Center," which is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with title I funds of L.S.C.A. (Library Services and Construction Act, a Federal source of library funding).

This program should be of special interest to parents, educators, students, and anyone else interested in new technology. **Register early, as space is very limited** for both the 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. program.

If you are interested in attending this program, please call the Agawam Public Library at 789-1550.

Ag. Golden Age Clubs' January Calendar

January 19th: Chapter 2 - Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m. with guest speaker Walter Balboni showing slides of his trip to the Canadian Rockies.

January 26th: Chapter 1 - Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m. with gift bingo.

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Gala Event Slated To Benefit Callahan Memorial Fund

Ramond J. Miller of Agawam and Anne Brunelle, chairpersons of the Marc A. Callahan Memorial Fund Committee, announce that the committee will shortly be holding its main fundraiser of the season, "A Very Special Evening - Part III." This formal, black-tie gala will be held on February 12th, 1994 at the Sheraton Springfield Monarch Place Hotel. In conjunction with the affair, special room rates will be available for anyone who books with the Sheraton under the the Marc A. Callahan Memorial Fund before January 15th, 1994.

Since the event will be held during Valentine weekend, there is no better way for the community to show its love and support of the Visiting Nurse Association of Pioneer Valley, Inc., for all the care they provide to the AIDS/HIV Positive patients in our area. All proceeds from "A Very Special Evening - Part III" go to the VNA of Pioneer Valley, Inc. Hospice Support Program.

Marc A. Callahan (the son of committee co-chairperson Anne Brunelle) was the first patient in Springfield to "go public" in 1986, and this fundraiser has become a living tradition in tribute to his memory and to that of all past, existing, and future AIDS patients. This is the first year the committee is instituting its Award for Excellence,

and the first recipient of this honor will be Dr. Robert Hoffman for his caring, pioneering efforts and leadership in this demanding field of medicine.

Entertainment for "A Very Special Evening - Part III" will include a rousing, inspirational performance by the area's sensational Third Baptist Church Choir under the direction of Jessie Deloach; cabaret performers Fr. Bill Hamilton and Fr. Vernon Decoteau; Schumann & Carter, a vocal/instrumental duo; continuous dancing; and displays presented by Mary Kay Cosmetics (Diane Shecrallah), Compatibles (Brenda Parker), and J.C.'s Fit For Life (Jill and Joseph Chaban).

There will also be raffles for gift certificates to restaurants and many local establishments, and the grand door prize for the night will be a 3 Night-2 Day Boston Harbor Getaway with Brunch & Dinner for Two (Susan Staples, Proprietor).

Donations for this event are \$25 per person. To reserve your ticket(s), contact any of the following members of the Marc A. Callahan Memorial Fund Committee: Ray Miller, 525-4238; Faith Freeman, 594-5355; Jeff Leveault, 786-5568; Bette Wright, 786-2393; Neil and Diane Shecrallah, 572-1332; or Debbie Griffing and Pietro Mazza, 525-8963.

Kay Babcock Honored By Heritage Hall For Years Of Service

Residents, staff, and friends gathered recently to honor Kay Babcock for her 20 years of service as Activity Director at Heritage Hall. Kay has worked in three of the Heritage Hall buildings and currently directs activities in South Building.

She recently graduated with an associate's degree in business administration and is presently continuing her college education in the health field.

Kay is a devoted employee and frequently goes above and beyond the call of duty to provide that extra special touch to the residents' activity program.

In her time off from work and school, Kay enjoys dancing, cross-country skiing, reading, walking the beach, traveling, and spending time with her seven grandchildren.

Everyone at Heritage Hall thanks Kay for her years of dedication and hopes to have her there for another 20 years!

Friends Of Homeless To Launch Fundraiser Starting Jan. 13th

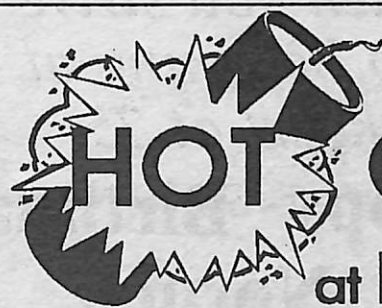
Friends of the Homeless, Inc., will be conducting a "Million Penny Campaign" between January 13th and January 29th to raise funds to support the programs and services provided to our community's homeless men and women. Donate your pennies at the Friends of the Homeless Education Exhibit at Baystate West, Holyoke Mall, Eastfield Mall, Fairfield Mall, and downtown Springfield locations.

Join TV-22 WWLP, the Springfield Indians, radio stations WMAS, WHYN, WPKX, WAQY, and Ray Guillemette, Jr. (the winner of the National Elvis Impersonator Contest) by helping Friends of the Homeless collect over one-million pennies.

The Campaign will host a Grand Finale Celebration on Saturday, January 29th, as the Springfield Indians take on the Cornwall Aces at 7:35 p.m. at the Springfield Civic Center. Purchase your Springfield Indian tickets at the Education Exhibit or call toll-free 1-800-419-2828 (24 hours a day, MasterCard/VISA accepted).

Tickets for the Springfield Indians hockey game are \$10, with \$5 being donated directly to the "Million Penny Campaign." These special tickets can only be purchased through the Friends of the Homeless or the aforementioned toll-free number.

All proceeds from this campaign are being directly donated to the Friends of the Homeless shelter located at 769 Worthington Street, Springfield.



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Family Film Series For January Set By Agawam Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce its January film program to be held in the Community Room of the library.

On Saturday, January 15th, the library will present a "double feature" of the comedy *"Father of the Bride."* At 11:00 a.m., the library will show the classic 1950 version, starring Spencer Tracy, Joan Bennett, and Elizabeth Taylor.

At 1:30 p.m., the 1991 remake, also entitled *"Father of the Bride,"* starring Steve Martin, Diane Keaton, and Martin Short, will be presented.

Both versions of the film, *"Father of the Bride,"* deal with the trials and tribulations which beset a family after their daughter unexpectedly announces her plans to wed.

The 1950 version received three Academy Award nominations including Best Actor, Best Picture, and Best Screenplay. *People* magazine named the updated version as "one of the year's 10 best" films for 1991.

The *Video Movie Guide* gives both versions of this film three and one-half stars and said of the 1950 version ... "many scenes of near-slapstick hysteria ... the quieter moments between father and daughter are wonderful ...". The newer version is touted as "a heartwarming comedy the whole family can enjoy..."

The 11:00 a.m. showing of the 1950 version should run approximately one hour and 30 minutes. The 1:30 p.m. presentation of the 1991 version should last approximately one hour and 45 minutes, and is rated PG.

The library's monthly film program is a continuation of a Federal grant entitled "Expanded Library Services for the Aging," which was funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with Title I funds of L.S.C.A. (Library Services and Construction Act), a federal source of library funding.

The library's presentation of *"Father of the Bride"* is free, and is open to adults of all ages, and families. This film program offers you the unique opportunity to see two versions of the same film.

Persons may register to watch either film or both films by calling the Agawam Public Library at 789-1550.

Cerebral Palsy Agency To Hold 15th Annual Telethon On Jan. 23rd

A weekend of entertainment, games, food, and festivities will take place on Sunday, January 23rd, 1994 in celebration of Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Services' 15th Annual Telethon. The Telethon, airing from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on WGGB-TV/NEWS40, will be hosted from the studio by Newscasters Kathy Tobin and Ray Hershel, along with S.T.C.C. President Andrew Scibelli and WHYN-FM Radio Sportscaster Jack O'Neill.

Throughout the afternoon, live segments from the Holyoke Mall at Ingleside will be hosted by NEWS40 anchors Priscilla Ress and Tom Bevacqua. In addition, WHYN-FM radio will broadcast live from the Mall between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Telethon-related events will begin Friday evening, January 21st at 5:00 p.m. at the West Springfield New England Health & Racquet Club and continue through the weekend. Pre-registration for the Racquetball Tournament/Basketball Shoot-out is suggested by calling Nancy Hayes at 781-0181.

Beginning at 12:00 noon on Telethon Sunday, the Holyoke Mall at Ingleside will host an array of fun-filled family activities for enjoyment throughout the afternoon. Music and entertainment by Roger Tinknell, organist Danny Kane, as well as Victory, Cottonwood, and the Springfield Kiltie Band will delight the entire family.

Jugglers, clowns, magicians, and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles' own "Michaelangelo" will stroll the mall. Raffle prizes—including a round-trip excursion for two to Atlantic City compliments of Peter Pan Bus lines, and numerous gift certificates donated by area hotels, restaurants, and merchants—will be awarded

throughout the day.

Also on display will be a special Telethon "Spa," donated by Teddy Bear Pools of Chicopee, which will be awarded to the highest bidder—all to benefit Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Services.

A third Telethon activity on January 23rd, the Healy's Irish Program, will be hosted by Don and Sheila Healy at the John Boyle O'Reilly Club in Springfield. This 7th Annual Irish Music Jam-boree, is the largest event of its kind in the Pioneer Valley.

Proceeds from the event featuring Irish music, food, and a fabulous "Chinese" raffle will benefit Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Services. For further information, tune into the Healy Irish Program Sunday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00 on 1490AM (WACM).

As a local, non-profit agency serving disabled and developmentally delayed individuals throughout the Pioneer Valley, Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Services depends on the local support of businesses and individuals. Please help us keep doors of opportunity open for disabled people in our own community. Your support—like each individual we serve—is important!

Be sure to tune in to WGGB-TV/NEWS40 on January 23rd from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for an afternoon of talent and entertainment—live and local—all to benefit Cerebral Palsy & Developmental Services of Western Massachusetts.

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Children's Giving Tree Provides Over 31,000 Presents To Needy Kids

The greater Springfield community donated a record 31,407 ornaments to the 10th Annual Children's Giving Tree, located at The Shops at Baystate West in Springfield, MA.

The ornaments were made and given by schoolchildren, scouting groups, social and civic groups, religious groups, senior centers, and individuals. For every ornament received, Milton Bradley Company donated a game or toy to a needy child.

Milton Bradley Chairman George Ditomassi said, "We at Milton Bradley thank all of the generous people who took the time to make ornaments this year for the Children's Giving Tree. It's great to see the community helping to make the holiday season special for local needy children."

Three local agencies in the Springfield area delivered the toys and games to the needy children. The Community United Way of Pioneer Valley, the Marine Corps' Toys for Tots, and the Salvation Army Toy for Joy distributed the toys and games in time for the holidays.

For more information, please contact Sharon Mello Reis at Milton Bradley Company at 525-6411, extension 2800.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1994 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of ROBERT J. POLVERARI, who is seeking a Special Use Permit Exception in accordance with Section 180-11 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the addition of four (4) video amusement machines at the premises identified as 1399 SUFFIELD STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald A. Hebert, Chairman

Published: January 13, 1994

Automobile Association Offers Tips For Children Traveling Alone

During school breaks, it's not uncommon to see children as young as five years-old traveling alone on planes, according to the American Automobile Association.

"An airplane trip for a child to visit family or friends can be a safe and enjoyable school vacation, provided the parent or guardian do some advanced planning," said Francis J. Maloney, Jr., General Manager of AAA Auto Club of Pioneer Valley.

To help ensure safety, AAA stresses the importance of coordinating the child's arrangements at both ends of the flight. At drop-off, the responsible adult needs proper identification, such as a driver's license, to complete the airline's unaccompanied minor form. The airline also will require the name, address, and phone number of the party meeting the youngster.

The designated pick-up person should be at the gate before the plane lands and must present proper identification.

Because rules vary, AAA recommends parents contact a travel agent or the airline for specific policies on unaccompanied minors. However, all airplanes require children to be at least five years-old before they can fly alone.

AAA offers these additional suggestions:

- * Tell the agent booking the flight that the ticket holder is an unaccompanied minor. Give the child's age and convey any special needs, such as a wheelchair. If your child prefers a "kid's meal" or special food, order it at this time.

- * Try to book a non-stop flight. Some carriers won't permit a child under eight years-old to change aircraft. Some help those 12 to 17 years-old make connecting flights but charge a fee.

- * Arrive at the airport at least an hour before a domestic flight, two hours before an international one. Allow extra time for parking and delays due to holiday crowds or winter weather.

- * Make sure your child is carrying identification

and cash for emergencies. Include pocket change or your calling card number for telephone calls, plus a few extra dollars for headsets.

- * Provide snacks such as crackers or raisins, and things for your child to do on board that will quietly entertain him or her. Encourage the youngster to bring a favorite toy.

- * Introduce your child to the ticket agent at the gate. Remind the agent of any special needs, including assistance changing planes. The airline may give the child a pin or other item to identify him or her as flying alone.

- * Your child should wear comfortable clothing with pockets that can be secured, or bring a flight bag where tickets and money can be safely stowed.

- * Some carriers allow adults to escort children to their seats. Leave as soon as your child is buckled in, but remain at the gate until the plane is airborne.

- * Make sure your children understand not to leave the airport alone or with a stranger. Explain how to identify airport personnel who can help with any questions or unexpected situations.

- * Teenagers flying alone should never leave the airport to find a place to sleep even if their flight is delayed canceled. Aside from being unsafe, many lodgings won't accept unaccompanied minors. Instead, they should seek assistance from airline personnel, and call a parent or guardian to advise them of their whereabouts.

AAA's more than 950 travel agencies are open to the public and offer personalized travel arrangements anywhere in the world, including cruises, group and individual tours, air and rail tickets, and hotel and rental car packages.

For additional information, contact the AAA Automobile Club of Pioneer Valley at 150 Capital Drive, West Springfield, MA 01089, (413) 785-1381 (FAX [413] 788-4138.)

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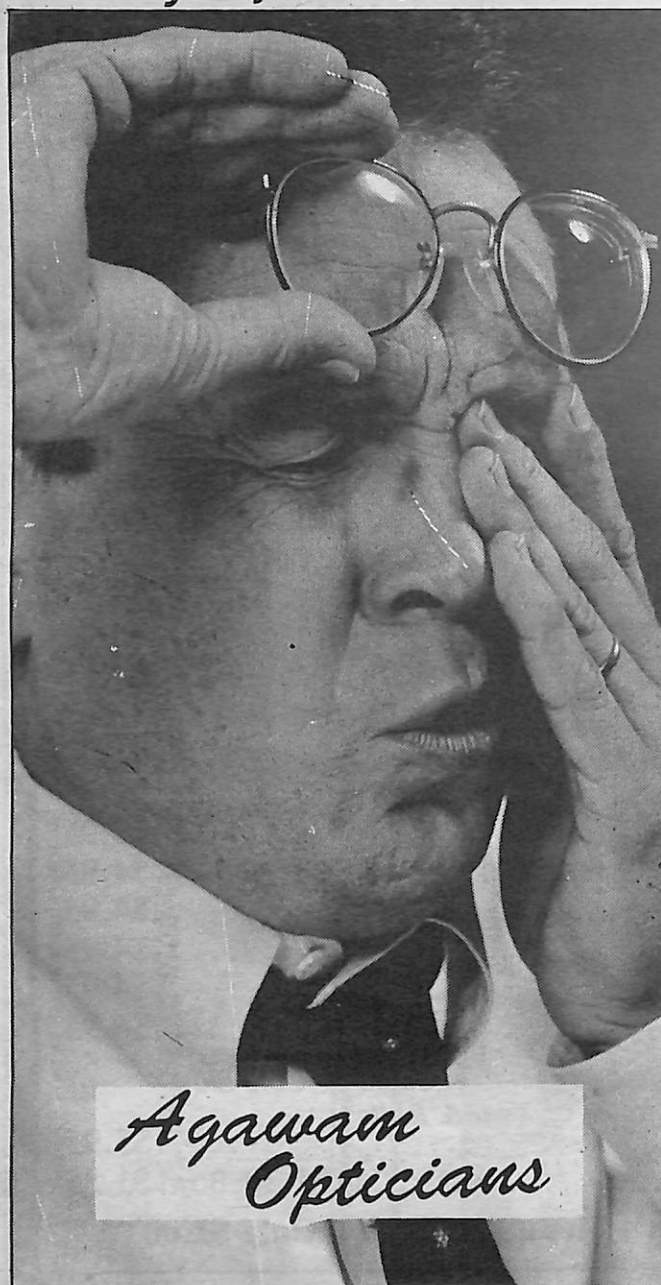
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Ag. Senior Athletes Slate January Meeting

The Agawam Senior Games Athletes (ASGA) will hold their first meeting of 1994 at the Agawam Senior Center on Thursday, January 20th, at 10:00 a.m. All members are urged to attend.

Anyone 55 years of age and older, who likes to meet people and keep in shape by participating in all types of athletics, is cordially invited to attend this meeting and become a member of ASGA.

Massachusetts State Senior Games will be held in June. You just might qualify to compete in the Nationals in 1995.

For further information, contact Desiree Jacobs, President, at 786-5031.

Lottermosers Have Baby Son, Evan

Eric and Linda Lottermoser of 17 Anvil Street, Feeding Hills, wish to announce the birth of their son, Evan Thomas. Evan was born December 29th, weighing in at nine pounds, 6½ ounces, and measuring 22 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Alfred and Carole Lottermoser of East Harwich, MA (formerly of Feeding Hills), and Moe and Ruby Desmarais of Agawam, and also great-grandfather, Thomas Evan Schmoyer of Sarasota, Florida.



CARRIE ANN VIENS

Carrie Ann Viens Engaged To Wed Scott Milliken

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Viens of 213 School Street, Agawam, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Ann, to Scott Milliken, son of Gerri Milliken of Agawam and Francis Milliken of Suffield, Connecticut.

The bride-to-be is a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School and a 1992 graduate of Fitchburg State College. She is currently employed by Eddie Bauer.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1985 graduate of Agawam High School and a 1989 graduate of Syracuse University. He is currently employed by Williams Distributing, an Anheiser Busch wholesaler.

A May 21st, 1994 wedding is planned.

Oldies Dance Planned For January 15th By Operation Friendship

Operation Friendship will hold its seventh annual Oldies Dance on Saturday, January 15th at 8:00 p.m. The dance will be held at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills and will feature "Dancing Dave" as the DJ.

Door prizes and a raffle will be held. Tickets are available now for \$6. Please contact JoAnn Fisher at 786-0381. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$7. A good time will be had by all.

On January 22nd, Operation Friendship will be holding a Roast Beef Supper with continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church at 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The menu includes juice, tossed salad, roast beef, mashed potato, gravy, vegetable, rolls and butter, beverage and dessert. Donation is \$7 for adults, \$3.75 for children and children under five are free. A bake sale will be held during the supper.

All proceeds from the supper and dance will be used for the youth of Feeding Hills Congregational Church to travel to Europe next summer. Reservations can be made by calling JoAnn Fisher, 786-0381.

If you reach an answering machine, please leave your name, the number of reservations, and your telephone number.

AHS Class Of 1978 Plans 15-Year Reunion

The Class of 1978 will hold its 15th year Class Reunion on Friday, January 21st at Chez Josef on Shoemaker Lane, Agawam.

The social hour begins at 7:30 p.m. and the cost is \$21 per person. Any classmate who has not received an invitation and would like to attend may do so by calling Rosemary Saccomani (Schibelli) at (413) 746-9364 or Shelley Borgatti at (413) 786-4960.

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Agawam Senior Citizens Band Entertains At Heritage Hall



DANCING TO THE TUNES of the Agawam Senior Citizens Band at Heritage Hall Nursing Home are Bill Blake Haskins and Dorothy King. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM SENIOR CITIZENS BAND perform at Heritage Hall Nursing Home (South Building) on December 28th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Charles E. Weber Ends Ranger Training

Army Pfc. Charles E. Weber has graduated from the 58-day Ranger course at the Infantry School at Kelly Air Force Base, Texas.

The training is conducted at Benning, the mountains of northern Georgia, the desert at Fort Bliss, Texas, and in the Florida swamps. It is designed to develop confident and capable small-unit leaders.

Additionally, emphasis is placed on developing skills in the planning and conduct of ground, airborne, and waterborne patrolling operations.

Weber is the son of Edward L. and Cynthia A. Weber of 74 Cooper St., Agawam.

Ag./F.H. AARP Slate Meeting For Jan. 24 At Senior Ctr.

The Agawam/Feeding Hills chapter of AARP will meet on Monday, January 24th, at 1:30 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

The chapter welcomes all senior citizens (ages 50 and older) to join. Annual dues are \$3. The chapter meets every fourth Monday of the month.

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Laughing Brook Has January Program

Winter is a delightful time to take part in natural history programs and field trips sponsored by Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden, Massachusetts.

Each program requires pre-registration a minimum of three days in advance. For further information on these programs, or for a copy of Laughing Brook's winter newsletter with complete listings, call (413) 566-8034.

FAMILY PROGRAM

STAR LIGHT, STAR BRIGHT - Saturday, January 29th, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Ancient cultures viewed the constellations as a separate world where the inhabitants lived out many memorable adventures. Discover these stories and create some of your own on this introduction to the stars.

The fee for this program is \$5.50 (adults) and \$4.50 (children) for Massachusetts Audubon Society members, and \$6.50 (adults) and \$5.50 (children) for non-members.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

EVERYTHING'S SQUIRRELY (ages 3½ - 5 years) - Saturday, January 29th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

One of our most common yet often overlooked wild mammals, squirrels are fascinating animals. Designed for a life in the tree tops and on the ground, their adaptations are many. Investigate squirrel kitchens, hideaways and nests, play games, and make a squirrely craft.

The fee for this program is \$7.50 for Massachusetts Audubon Society members, and \$9 for non-members.

MEALS ON THE MOVE (grades 1 & 2) - Saturday, January 29th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Can a woodland animal go to the grocery store to buy dinner? No, of course not! Discover what animals eat and how they find their food as you become both predator and prey in a variety of activities.

The fee for this program is \$6.50 for Massachusetts Audubon Society members, and \$8 for non-members.

LAUGHING BROOK ECOLOGY CLUB (grades 5 - 8) - Saturday, January 22nd, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

With over 80,000 acres of land and water, the Quabbin Reservoir is the largest tract of open space in southern New England. John Bob Speare as he searches for white-tailed deer, bald eagles, and tracks and signs of many others on this all-day trek at Quabbin.

The fee for this program is \$20 for Massachusetts Audubon Society members, and \$24 for non-members.

Brownie Troop 546 Visits Heritage Hall



BROWNIE TROOP 546 recently paid a visit to Heritage Hall Nursing Home (North Building) to spend an afternoon with residents. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Storowton Museum Seeking Volunteers

Take a trip back in time and try on a new way of life while you learn about the history and customs of the 19th century as a Storowton Village Museum volunteer.

There is an opportunity for adult and teenage (age 14 and up) male and female volunteers at Storowton Village Museum to conduct guided tours of its historic buildings, and serve as assistants for school programs for children in grades three through five. Volunteers are also needed to staff the Storowton Village Gift Shop.

Dressed in Early Americans garb provided by the Village, volunteers will assume and interpret the roles of the 19th century villagers. In the "Look Back" and "Little Red Schoolhouse" programs, the rewards are endless as volunteers bring joy and amazement to children who discover the simplicity of days gone by.

Through free training provided by the Museum staff, volunteers will become well versed in the

traditions, customs and crafts of 19th century New England and Storowton's history. Training takes place Wednesday, February 2nd.

Volunteers enable Storowton Village Museum to continue its longstanding tradition of providing quality programs that are educational and entertaining. By volunteering at Storowton, in addition to becoming a part of living history, people will have the opportunity to interact with the public, meet new people and establish friendships.

In addition, Storowton Village Museum volunteers are entitled to a 25 percent discount at the Gift Shop. Volunteers also participate in the annual staff getaway and picnic.

Storowton Village Museum is located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield. Prospective volunteers may contact Dennis Picard, Storowton Village Museum program coordinator, weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at (413) 787-0136.



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Karen Wright Weds Christopher Paltz

St. Anthony of Padua Church in Agawam was the setting for the recent wedding of Karen Wright and Christopher Paltz.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Wright of 28 North West St., Feeding Hills. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. & Mrs. Walter Paltz of 21 Porter Drive, Agawam.

Attending the couple were Kathleen Wright, Louise Paltz, Sue Dube, and Caitlyn Colman-McGaw as bridesmaids, Celia Colman-McGaw and Kelsey Wright as flower girls, and Daniel Capps as ring bearer.

Ushers were James Wright, Jr., Greg Capps, Carl Ritchie, and Kevin Ritchie. Honored attendants were Tina Wright as maid of honor, Jane Capps as matron of honor, and Brian Shameklis as best man.

The couple are both graduates of Agawam High School.

The bride is a graduate of Quinnipiac College, where she received a bachelor's degree in physical therapy and is employed by Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton.

The groom is a machine operator at the Sullivan Paper Company in West Springfield.

Arthur E. Hastings Becomes Pontentate Of Melha Temple

Arthur E. Hastings, 52, of Feeding Hills, has been elected the 83rd Potentate of Melha Temple in Springfield. He was elected from the 2,927 area shriners who are members of Melha at their annual meeting.

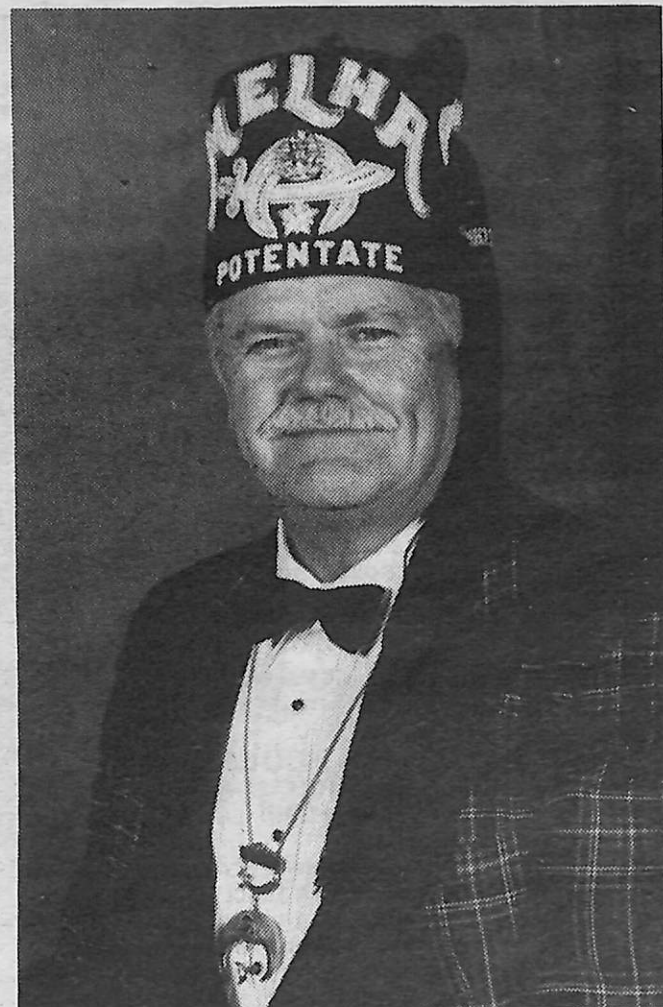
The new Potentate will lead Melha Temple and its units in parades, the annual circus, and the many other activities familiar to the public.

The Shriners are best known for their philanthropic cause, which is the operation of 22 hospitals for crippled and burned children. It supports 19 orthopedic hospitals and three burns institutes throughout North America which serve children under 18 years of age. Patients are treated free of charge and regardless of national heritage or background.

Hastings is employed by Valley Machine Knife Corporation, and is owner of Twin Maple Farms Boarding Stables.

He is a charter member and past treasurer of the Agawam Jaycees, member of the Board of Directors of Sonard Engraving of East Longmeadow, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Feeding Hills Springfield Street Cemetery.

Information regarding children who can be treated and helped by the Shriner's Hospitals is available at 1-800-237-5055, or the Springfield Unit of the Shriner's Hospitals on Carew Street at (413) 787-2000.



ARTHUR E. HASTINGS of Feeding Hills is now potentate of the Melha Shriner's in Springfield.

Five Foreign Exchange Students At AHS To Be Guests Of Junior Women's Club

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is pleased to announce that five AFS students will speak on "Life in Their Country" at the next meeting, to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18th at the Captain Charles Leonard House on Main Street, Agawam.

The five students making presentations are Joana Monteiro Grillo from Portugal, Yvonne Hodel from Switzerland, Celeste Arraztoa from

Chile, Alena Rusava from the Czech Republic, and Martin Asp from Sweden.

Agawam is fortunate to have these students in our community to offer insight into another culture. They add enrichment to the Junior Women's Club and to its international program.

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Wednesday, January 19th: Meat-loaf with gravy, baked potato, green beans, whole wheat bread, black-berry turnover.

Thursday, January 20th: Baked chicken leg, mashed potatoes, corn, pumpernickel bread, pineapple chunks.

Friday, January 21st: Chicken soup, baked macaroni, stewed tomatoes, oatmeal bread, canned pears.

**Happy
"16th,"
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Dad, Mom, Gram & Buttons

Keri A. Alvigini Weds Mr. Pruszyński In Ceremony Held In West Palm Beach, FL

St. John Fisher Catholic Church in West Palm Beach, Florida was the setting of the October 16th wedding of Keri Ann Alvigini to Michael Joseph Pruszyński.

The bride is the daughter of David and Diane Alvigini of Gill, Massachusetts and Nancy Verdina of Jupiter, Florida. She is also the granddaughter of Henry and Rose Alvigini of Agawam.

The parents of the bridegroom are Arlene and Joseph Pruszyński, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

Angela Wastchak, friend of the bride, served as matron-of-honor, while Eric Butterfield, friend of the groom, served as best man. Toni Dove, Sandra Fikaris, sisters of the bride, and Shawn Pruszyński, sister-in-law of the groom, served as bridesmaids.

Ushers were Steve Spanton, Johnny Fasino, friends of the couple, and Mark Pruszyński,

brother of the groom. Matthew and Justin Dove, nephews of the bride, were ringbearers.

The flower girl was Danielle Pruszyński, niece of the groom. Phil Zamfano, Nancy Fasino, friends of the couple, Diane Alvigini, stepmother of the bride, and Kristen Asselin, close friend of the bride, read at the ceremony.

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School. She is pursuing a degree in Elementary Education at Daytona Beach Community College.

The groom is a 1987 graduate of Southeast Center of Photographic Studies. He is employed in management at Steve's Southern Music.

Following a reception at the Palm Beach Hotel, the couple left on a honeymoon cruise and a stay at a Walt Disney World Resort. The couple will reside in Daytona Beach, Florida.

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Church News

Ag. Congregational's Calendar Of Events

The Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, reminds the public that its Sunday Worship Service is at 10:30 a.m., with church school for adults through 12th grade at 9:15 a.m. and Crib Room through 6th at 10:30 a.m.

The Midweek Service at Agawam Congregational Church continues on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

The church's 456 Club will have a rehearsal for Youth Sunday, January 16th, and a meeting-party on Friday, January 14th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

All fourth, fifth, and sixth graders are welcome. They will meet again on Saturday, January 15th, to rehearse in the Church Sanctuary for Youth Sunday.

The public is invited to attend an Ecumenical Hymn Sing on Sunday, January 23rd, beginning at 3:30 p.m. at the Agawam Congregational Church. The Agawam clergy are sponsoring this afternoon of song and fellowship.

Reverend Ray Korndorfer, Interim Pastor of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, will deliver a meditation on Christian will entitled "There is a Time..."

Refreshments, prepared by the Agawam Congregational Church's Friendship Committee, will be served following the Hymn Sing in the church's Parish Hall.

Come sail with the church's February Vacation Bible Camp, "Pirates For Christ," on Friday, February 25th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Children ages two through fifth grade are welcome to attend. Call the church office at 786-7111 to register; cost is \$2 per child, and \$5 for a family of three or more children.

A new member class will begin on Wednesday night, January 26th, at 7:35 p.m. at the Agawam Congregational Church. All are welcome to attend these informative sessions about the mission and ministries of the church.

The church's "Our Sexuality—God's Good Gift" series for seventh through ninth graders will continue on the following Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.—January 20th, February 3rd, 10th, and 17th.

Reverend Fuller and Corinne Colman, Youth Director, will be leading this series.

Activities At The F.H. Congregational Church

The Reverend Raymond H. Korndorfer's sermon will be "Getting and Keeping in Touch" at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church on Sunday, January 16, at the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

On Sunday, January 23rd, the Annual Meeting of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will be held at 12:00 noon. Reports will be received from the clerk, treasurer, church school superintendent, and all standing committees.

Preceding the meeting, a buffet luncheon will be served immediately following the church service. Child care will be provided.

The Reverend Raymond H. Korndorfer will be the guest speaker at the Ecumenical Hymn Sing to be held Sunday, January 23rd, at 3:30 p.m. at the Agawam Congregational Church. The title of his sermon will be "There is a Time For..."

The Agawam clergy are sponsoring this afternoon of song and fellowship.

Sunday school classes for all age groups and morning worship are held each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church. Nursery service is available, and visitors and friends are cordially invited.

Ham & Bean Supper At Ag. Baptist

The Agawam Baptist Church will be holding a Family Style Ham & Bean Supper on Saturday, January 15th with serving times of 4:45 and 6:15 p.m.

The cost for adults is \$7, and children under 10, \$3. The menu includes baked ham, home-baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, rolls, coffee, tea, or milk, and assorted homemade pies.

For reservations, please call 786-8609, 786-8209, or 789-1481. If you find you are unable to honor your reservations, please call and cancel.

Meatloaf Supper Slated At Ag. Congregational

Hear ye, hear ye! There will be an "old-fashioned" meatloaf supper on Thursday, January 20th, at the Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

The old-fashioned dinner will include baked potatoes, gravy, vegetables, cole slaw, rolls and butter, beverage (coffee, tea, or milk), and dessert. There will be one sitting starting at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$6 for adults, and \$4 for children under 12 years of age. Please call the church office at 786-7111 by Tuesday, January 18th, to make your reservations.

This supper will be prepared and served by the church's newly-formed "Catering Committee"—Sharon Antaya, Mary Jane Stuart, Matt Blackak, Dolly LaFleur, Ed Judkins, Dolores Martin, Dick Bassett, Carol Allen, and Clint Warren.

Valley Community Church's Jan. Calendar

Sunday, January 16th: Sunday Worship & Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey, visiting minister.

Sunday, January 23rd: Sunday Worship & Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey, visiting minister.

Sunday, January 30th: Sunday Worship & Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephen Dennehey, visiting minister.

Sunday, January 30th: Pot Luck Luncheon following Sunday Worship.

The Valley Community Church Congregational welcomes people of all denominations to enter into worship and fellowship at the lovely church on the hill (152 So. Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA).

For information, contact the church secretary at 786-2445.



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A Guide To America's Most Common Home Styles

Styles of homes vary across the country. From the New England Cape Cod to the Victorians of San Francisco, the choices are almost endless. Knowing which style you prefer is one of the basic elements in your hunt for the home of your dreams.

Following is a small sample of different style homes to help you recognize and use the professional terms for the most prevalent house styles:

Ranch: These long, low houses rank among the most popular types in the country. The ranch, which developed from early homes in the West and Southwest, is one story and traditionally has a low pitch roof. Today, however, newly-constructed ranch homes are likely to have a higher pitched roof. The raised ranch, which is also common in the U.S., has two levels, each accessible from the home's entry foyer, which features staircases to both upper and lower levels.

Cape Cod: This compact story-and-a-half house is small and symmetrical with a central entrance and a steep, gable roof. Brick, wood, aluminum or vinyl siding are the materials most commonly seen.

Georgian: Popular in New England, the Georgian has a very formal appearance with two or three stories and classic lines. Usually built of red brick, the rectangular house has thin columns alongside the entry, and multi-paned windows above the door and throughout the house. Two large chimneys rise high above the roof at each end.

Tudor: Modeled after an English country cottage, Tudor styling features trademark dark-wood timbering set against light-colored stucco that highlights the top half of the house and frames the numerous windows. The bottom half of the house is often made of brick.

Queen Anne/Victorian: Developed from styles originated in Great Britain, these homes are usually two-story frame with large rooms, high ceilings, and porches along the front and sometimes sides of the house. Peaked roofs and ornamental wood trim, many times referred to as "gingerbread," decorate these elaborate homes.

Pueblo/Santa Fe Style: These homes are either frame or adobe brick with a stucco exterior. The flat roof has protruding rounded beams called vigas. One or two story, the homes feature covered/enclosed patios and an abundance of tile.

Dutch Colonial: The Dutch Colonial has two or two-and-one-half stories covered by a gambrel roof (having two slopes on each side, with the lower slope steeper than the upper flatter slope) and eaves that flare outward. This style is traditionally made of brick or wood shingles.

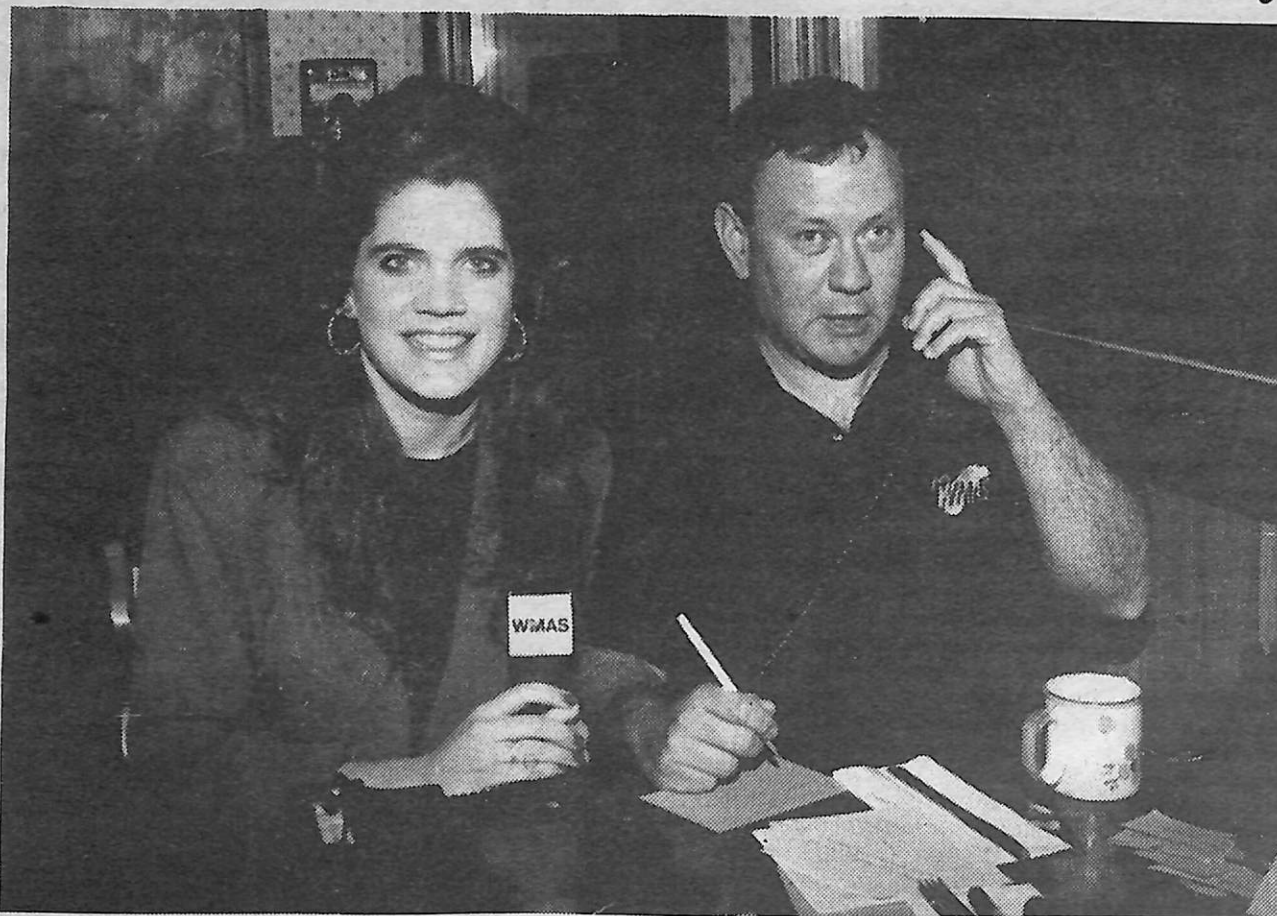
New England Colonial: This two-and-one-half story early American style home is boxlike with a gable roof. The traditional material is narrow clapboard siding. The small pane windows usually have shutters.

Split-Level: Split-Level houses have one living level about half a floor above the other living level. When this type of home is built on three different levels, it is called a tri-level.

These are just a few of the many styles of homes available across the country—some are more prominent in different areas than others. Knowing home style terms will help you zero in on the type of house that will fill your needs and suit your taste.

(John Schuler is the Broker/Owner of CENTURY 21 Newschu Real Estate, Inc., located in Feeding Hills, MA [413-789-1117].)

Amanda's, WMAS Assist Burned Out Family



JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS, Amanda's Restaurant on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, and WMAS-95 FM team-up for a fundraiser to assist the Kingsley Family of Feeding Hills, who were burned-out of their home by fire. **IN PHOTO ABOVE**, Karen Ann in-the-van and Chuck Herlihy, both from WMAS, broadcast live from Amanda's; **IN PHOTO BELOW**, Karen Ann presents some of the funds raised to Marsha Kingsley. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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Heritage Hall Skilled Nursing & Retirement Community

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Genesis Health Ventures, the parent company of **Heritage Hall**, which established the functional evaluation and treatment unit, announced it has received the Organizational Award from the National Rehabilitation Association. Accepting the award on behalf of the company was **Dr. Vincent T. Barnaba**, a physiatrist and president of Genesis and physician services. **Dr. Barnaba**, the unit designer, received the award at the NRA's annual meeting in Atlanta. He believed that through proper assessment and planning, 10 to 15 percent of permanent nursing home placement could be prevented. He was amazed to see at the end of the first year that 38 percent of the unit's patients were able to return home to more independent lifestyles.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...

Financial Planning

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Living Trusts: A Way To Avoid Probate And Ensure Immediate Access To An Inheritance

Setting up a living trust is a good way to avoid probate and ensure that your heirs gain immediate access to their inheritance, according to Lisa Berger in her book, *Feathering Your Nest*.

"These trusts let your heirs seize control of their inheritance from the moment you die," Berger says, "leapfrogging the potentially costly and time-intensive probate required of an ordinary will ... A living trust can render probate into little more than a short footnote to your beneficiaries' plans."

Despite the word "trust," which suggests something useful only to the very rich, a living trust can be a practical alternative to a will for many middle-income Americans, she says. The practice is being adopted by many people, especially in states where probate eats a big chunk of an estate.

Setting up a living trust is relatively easy. Kits even are available so you can write a living trust yourself. It's best to play it safe, however, and have a lawyer draft a legally binding document. Although attorneys charge more to write living trusts than they do for wills, the long-term cost is less because of the savings in probate.

A living trust has several other advantages:

- You don't relinquish much control. You can serve as trustee, thus controlling all of the assets as long as you live; when you die, the successor you've chosen takes over.

- A living trust is "revocable." You can modify or nullify the arrangement anytime you wish; you can change beneficiaries, or buy and sell assets.

- You can name a trustee who will manage your finances if you become disabled. This feature will save your family a trip to court to arrange for a guardian or conservator to handle your affairs.

A living trust becomes "irrevocable" upon your death, and your designated successor trustee will distribute your assets immediately according to your instructions—no waiting for the slow probate process.

Living trusts, which travel across state lines better than wills, are particularly practical for families who own real estate in more than one state. Heirs won't have to go through probate in every state where property is owned.

"If not properly crafted, a badly drawn living trust can leave your estate in a mess," Berger cautions. "Be sure the lawyer you hire to do it has experience in your state and is a member of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel."

Living trusts have no tax advantages; the assets in your trust will be included in your estate for tax purposes.

"Think of a living trust as a safe-deposit box into which you put any or all assets of your estate," says Berger. Once your lawyer has established the trust, place your property titles—real estate (including your home if it's not jointly owned and you're not planning to refinance), stock portfolio, antiques, jewelry—into it.

What if you forget to transfer something into the trust? Any assets not included in the trust will have to go through probate unless you have a "pour-over will" which allows those assets to "pour over" into the trust. A knowledgeable lawyer or financial planner will recommend this supplement. The safest route is to consult with these professionals about what will work best in your situation.

To receive further information or if you would like to arrange a free 30-minute consultation, please contact me at my office, 534-3883.



DAVE RATNER, owner of Soda & Pet Food City, is congratulated by **James Shriver** (left), president of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce.

Soda/Pet Food City Receives Chamber Award

Dave Ratner, founder and president of Dave's Soda & Pet City, was honored on January 5th at the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce's breakfast held at Elms College in Chicopee.

Dave's Soda & Pet City received the Chamber's award for Small Business of the Year, 1993-1994.

Ratner, a Longmeadow native, originally started Soda City in 1975. By 1978 he had expanded his product line and his business and had two Soda & Pet Food City stores. Today he has three stores with 70 employees.

And, while the Chamber's award recognizes Ratner's entrepreneurial skills and success, it also pays tribute to his commitment to the communities in which he and his employees work.

For example, Ratner frequently turns his stores' Redemption Centers over to worthwhile groups for a day of fundraising. Dave's Soda & Pet City

stores are equal opportunity employers and often donate soda and funds to community organizations.

Ratner himself serves as an officer at the Jewish Nursing Home, is a past member of the

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Jewish Community Center, and is an active participant with Springfield's Central Academy in the Chamber Business Education Partnership.

As an astute businessman, Ratner is always analyzing trends in the marketplace. Because nutrition-conscious consumers have similar dietary concerns for their pets, Ratner's stores not only stock the same pet supplies as those found in supermarkets and discount chains, but also carry an extensive selection of premium pet foods with healthier ingredients.

Furthermore, Soda & Pet City stores buy pets only from suppliers who domestically breed and raise their animals. They avoid suppliers who damage the environment by capturing livestock in the wild.

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Food for Thought

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Chicken Soup & The Common Cold - Myth Or Magic?

Old folk remedies often contain an element of truth. Chicken soup is one example. Modern science shows chicken soup—or any soup made from poultry—may relieve the runny nose, sore throat, and generally the “yucky” symptoms that make up the common cold.

In the late 1970's, research found that hot liquids increased the flow of nasal secretions. That may help reduce the penetration of the cold virus. Last year, the University of Nebraska put grandma's chicken soup to the test (the researcher actually used his grandmother's recipe). In the test tube, the chicken soup stopped some of the chemical reactions that usually result in congestion and a sore throat when they occur in our body.

Relieving these symptoms with soup may help you feel better temporarily. However, soup won't affect the cold virus itself. So, you need to let the cold run its course just as you would with cold medication you buy in the drugstore ... but the chicken soup tastes better!

In addition to chicken soup, you may find cold relief by eating yogurt, vitamin C-rich foods, horseradish, garlic, and other spices. Watch for next week's column for more on those food remedies to fight the “cold” war.

Colitis Support Group To Meet At Noble

Noble Hospital's Crohn's and Colitis Support Group will meet on Tuesday, January 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Noble Hospital Auditorium.

There will be an informal group discussion about what you would like from your support group.

The Crohn's and Colitis Support Group is free and open to the public. For further information, call 568-2811, ext. 569.

La Leche League Can Help New Moms

If you have considered breastfeeding your baby, but have questions about this womanly art, contact the West Springfield-Agawam La Leche League.

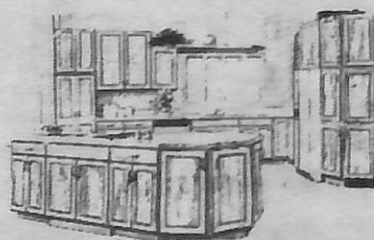
This month's meeting will be held on Monday, January 17th at 7:30 p.m., at the Grace Lutheran Church.

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Providence Hospital will usher in a new era in maternity care January 16th when it unveils its newly renovated Family Birthplace at an open house from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Most Rev. John A. Marshall, D.D., will preside at the official dedication blessing between 12:30-1:00 p.m., followed by the public open house.

The Family Birthplace has undergone a \$1.5 million renovation project. The result is a spacious, comfortable, “homey,” ultra-modern facility that stresses family in every sense of the word.

Each of the 10 LDRP (labor/delivery/recovery/postpartum) rooms - designed to allow the mother to stay in one room for the entire birth experience - features its own bathroom and shower, a color television/VCR, telephone, crib, rocking chair, and comfortable sleeper/recliner.

“The rooms are designed with the comfort of the mother, child, birthing partner, and other family members in mind,” said Claire Margosiak, R.N., Nurse Manager, Family Birthplace. “The philosophy here is to provide a setting as close to home as possible, stressing both comfort and security.”

“Delivery of a baby, particularly one's first baby, is a very important, very special time for a family,” she said. “We want that experience to be as pleasurable as we can make it ... the

memories should be of excellent care and wonderful facilities. Those are the kinds of memories we create here.”

While the look of the Family Birthplace is new, the standard of the care is the same that has made it the premier maternity facility in the Greater Holyoke area.

The Family Birthplace has 19 board-certified obstetrician-gynecologists on staff. In addition, eight certified nurse midwives are associated with the facility.

“The Family Birthplace takes a family-centered approach, from prenatal classes through newborn care,” said Margosiak. “Throughout the birthing experience, nurses provide individualized care for both mother and baby.”

Special help is available from professionals, including a lactation consultant, and a “Baby & Me” helpline is also offered to parents who have questions about their newborn's care after leaving the hospital.

In addition, all mothers delivering at the Family Birthplace will receive a follow-up visit by a registered nurse within 24 hours of discharge. This service, part of the Family Birthplace's Home Visit Program, provides additional healthcare support for mother and baby once they have returned home. The program serves all of Western Massachusetts.

Sufferers From Pain Can Be Helped At Mercy Hospital

Persons who suffer with chronic pain are invited to join a support group designed to provide help and support to persons, family members, and others affected by chronic pain.

The group will meet for the second time on January 25th from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the memorial House Library of the Deliso Conference Center.

The support group meetings are facilitated by Meredith McCarran, Ph.D., Director of the Pain Management Program at the Weldon Center for Rehabilitation, Mercy Hospital.

There is no fee, and coffee will be served.

These meetings are open to anyone who is experiencing chronic pain or who has a friend or loved one suffering from chronic pain.

For more information, contact Peg Valley at 748-6830.

Health Promo Lecture To Be Held Jan. 26th At Heritage Hall

Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is sponsoring the first 1994 Health Promotion lecture on January 26th, beginning at 2:30 p.m. at Heritage Hall North's first-floor solarium at 55 Cooper Street, Agawam.

Dr. Vicki Peters will explain the physician network available to residents of Heritage and provide some insight on Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

The community is welcome to attend and refreshments will be served. Call Regina Bossig at 786-8000 to make your reservation.

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THE BEST FILMS OF 1993

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

For the first time in many years, I not only have a top 10 list of best films, I wound up with more than 10 truly terrific films circa 1993. And here they are, in random order...

Martin Scorsese's *The Age of Innocence*, the opulent retelling of Edith Wharton's classic novel of 19th century manners and morals, brought commercial filmmaking to new heights of elegance (to say nothing of fine performances by Daniel Day Lewis, Winona Ryder, and Michelle Pfeiffer).

Anthony Hopkins stole the show in *The Remains of the Day*, an elegant recreation (by Merchant-Ivory) of the years leading up to World War II, seen through the eyes of an ever-discreet and absolutely perfect gentleman's gentleman. Hopkins was superb; Emma Thompson is equally matched as the housekeeper.

Indecent Proposal, with its risqué premise tantalized viewers as much as it entertained them. Demi Moore was a delight as the young wife offered a million dollars to spend the night with a debonair millionaire (Robert Redford, and he's never looked better).

In the days before VCR's, video arcades, and megamalls, youngsters gathered at the local sandlot where baseball—played in tattered jeans and ragtag sneakers—was the order of the day. *The Sandlot* is a delightful film that takes us back to yesterday with a charming story of the new kid in town, the boys on the team, and a junkyard dog that grows bigger with every twist of the imagination. No big budget or gargantuan effects; just a great little story of friends, fun, and imagination perfectly indulged.

Jane Campion's *The Piano* provided viewers with an intimate view of the intertwined lives of two rugged men and the woman they want to possess. The story is told through the mind's eye of the woman (Holly Hunter), a mute who has been married off to a New Zealand settler (Sam Neill). She brings with her a precocious daughter and her beloved piano, and ends up bartering her virtue for those ivory keys as a love triangle unfolds before an enchanted audience.

Embellishing on the TV series of the 60's, *The Fugitive* took viewers on a harrowing escape in the midst of train derailment, recreating the manhunt that fascinated TV viewers for many years. Harrison Ford played Dr. Richard Kimball, accused of killing his wife and now searching for a one-armed man whom he believes really committed the crime; Tommy Lee Jones is the dogged detective hot on his trail. Terrific, but exhausting to watch.

Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau are the oddest couple of all in *Grumpy Old Men*, a holiday release that may not be the stuff Oscars are made for but which delivers two hours of rollicking laughter even as it wins the hearts of its viewers. Lemmon and Matthau are childhood friends feuding over the girl Matthau loved and Lemmon married. Into their lives pops a stunning, redheaded widow (Ann Margret), and the battle is on all over again.

Shadowlands gives us Anthony Hopkins as C.S. Lewis and Debra Winger as the woman he loves (a woman dying of cancer) in this poignant and stunningly beautiful love story. It's soft, sentimental, and made the way the best of the old love stories were made.

Steven Spielberg breaks new ground with *Schindler's List*, a dramatic black and white recreation of a true holocaust story. Liam Neeson is Oskar Schindler, a high-living, womanizing industrialist who comes to terms with his conscience and begins hiring Jews to save them from the death camps of Germany. Ben Kingsley is striking as his accountant. Hard viewing, dramatic, and three-and-a-half hours long, but worth every minute.

Two cherubic Irish lads and a vagrant white horse are the key players in a terrific Irish film, *Into the West*. It touches the heart and draws a tear or two with its monumental climax. From the moment the gypsy grandfather finds this horse running on a shore, viewers know they are seeing something special. Man and beast arrive in the city, the young motherless boys fall in love with their oversized pet, and—when the horse is taken away by authorities—they steal her back and off into the west (of Ireland) for a bittersweet conclu-



ANTHONY HOPKINS and EMMA THOMPSON star in "*The Remains Of The Day*," and Michelle Pfeiffer and Daniel Day-Lewis star in *The Age of Innocence*."

sion.

Clint Eastwood is *In the Line of Fire* as a federal agent charged with guarding a U.S. president ... a job he did once before in Dallas with a disastrous conclusion. Now he's being stalked by a brilliant, fanatical assassin (John Malkovich)—a master of disguise whose malevolent streak shatters whatever peace the agent has made with himself. Intertwined is the hint of a love story.

Sleepless in Seattle gave us Tom Hanks as the west coast widowed father and Meg Ryan as the east coast working girl, both of whose lonely

worlds collide on talk radio. This charming, lightweight screenplay (replete with music of the 40's and 50's) captures the heart, and its bits and pieces of Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr in *An Affair to Remember* made this summer sleeper a hit.

Hanks returned in December with a totally different film, *Philadelphia*, in which he plays a man dying of AIDS. Co-starring is Denzel Washington. Head shaven and having lost weight for the part, Hanks pours heart and soul into this character and the work is paying off, with perhaps one of two Oscar nods.

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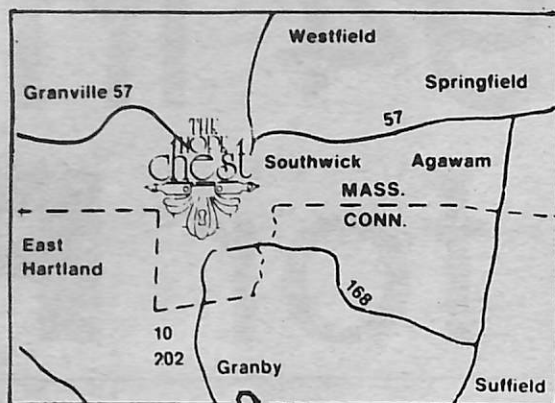
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Bon Appetit

by
Susan Anderson

Bonne Anee

Montreal can be the perfect setting for a vacation or a short visit on special occasions. To celebrate our first wedding anniversary, my husband and I decided to travel there for a relaxing three days after the holidays. For weeks, we anticipated the excellent time we were sure to have, including a liberal sampling of Montreal's restaurants.

Although Montreal is truly an international city, it has the second largest French-speaking population in the world, second only to Paris. There is something for everyone there, not the least of which is the wonderful French Canadian cuisine.

QUEBEC APPLE DUMPLING (Makes 12)

1/4 cup cheddar cheese, grated
12 medium apples, peeled and cored
1/2 cup mincemeat
1/4 cup rum
Butter
3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup cream
Rind of 1/2 lemon
Pastry for two 9" pies

Preheat oven to 400F. Roll pie dough and cut 12 squares (6x6"). Sprinkle each square with 1 teaspoon grated cheddar. Peel and core apples and place one on each square. Fill the center of each apple with 2 teaspoons of mincemeat, 1 teaspoon rum, a dot of butter, and 1 tablespoon sugar.

Bring diagonally opposite corners of dough over the apple to form ears at the top. Cover the "ears" with aluminum foil. Mix the brown sugar, cream, and grated lemon rind. Brush the dumplings with this mixture and return to oven until "ears" are brown. Serve warm with plain or sweetened cream.

From: *The Canadian Cookbook* by Mme. Jehane Benoit.

First anniversaries are special, a time for high romance, champagne, and flowers. On the actual day of the event, we observed the occasion while on a foot tour of the city, accompanied by a

snowstorm and an occasionally blinding polar wind.

Two blocks from the hotel, I began entertaining thoughts of hypothermia and became verbal about the likelihood of frostbite or worse. While my joints seized up, my husband seemed unaffected by a wind chill factor that could have quick-frozen a side of beef.

Luckily, we found a restaurant called Reubens, a first-class and well-known delicatessen. Reubens' specialty is called a *Viande Fumee Super*, a huge sandwich of smoked meat on double rye bread, served with a tart dill pickle and coleslaw. That, and a couple of Molsons, went a long way to briefly improve at least one disposition that afternoon.

PRINCE OF WALES CAKE

* **Dark Cake:**
1/2 cup butter
1 cup brown sugar
3 egg yolks
1 cup raisins, dredged with flour
1 tablespoon molasses
2 cups flour, sifted
1/2 cup sour milk
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon ground cloves
1 teaspoon baking soda

Cream butter; then add sugar, beating well. Add egg yolks singly, with a spoonful of the flour. Beat well and add raisins. Slowly pour in molasses and milk, with a small amount of the flour. Sieve in remaining flour, with spices and soda. Mix well. Pour into prepared straight-sided pan and bake at 350F for about 1 hour.

* **White Cake:**
1 cup flour
1/2 cup cornstarch
1/2 cup butter, softened
1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup milk
2 teaspoons baking powder
3 egg whites, stiffly beaten

Sift flour and cornstarch. Rub in butter. Blend in sugar. Mix milk with baking powder and combine well. Fold in egg whites. Pour into prepared pan. Bake at 350F for about 1 hour.

While no instructions were provided, caramel or almond icing are suggested for this cake.

From: *The Watford Church Ladies' Cook Book* (1904) in *Macdonald was Late for Dinner: A Slice of Culinary Life in Early Canada* by Patricia Beeson.

More than anything, my husband expressed a wish to visit Le Casino de Montreal, a fabulous gambling casino housed in the former French pavilion of Expo 67. The casino can accommodate up to 5,000 visitors per day, seating 1,500

players at 65 games tables.

He mentioned it as we were about to enter Montreal's famous Underground City, an incredible collection of retail stores that stretches through 20 kilometers (about 18 miles) of underground passages.

He mentioned it again as we were about to enter the beautiful Notre-Dame Basilica, and I know he must have had it in mind at about the time we stopped at the Mary Queen of the World Cathedral.

BUTTER TART PIE

3 eggs
3/4 cup brown sugar, packed
3/4 cup corn syrup
3 tablespoons butter, melted
4 teaspoons all-purpose flour
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 1/4 cups raisins or currants
1 unbaked 9" pie shell

In bowl, beat eggs lightly. Stir in brown sugar, corn syrup, butter, flour, vanilla, and salt until blended. Stir in raisins or currants. Pour in pie shell. Bake in 400F oven for 5 minutes. Decrease heat to 250F. Bake for about 30 minutes longer or until center is just firm to the touch, covering edges of pastry with foil if browning too much. Let cook completely before cutting.

From: *Canadian Living Magazine*.

We never made it to the Casino. While in daylight we seemed to have been caught in an arctic blast, at sunset I started seeing the Northern Lights.

My husband patiently towed his bride of one year (stiff legged and numb, but still adequately verbal) the last several blocks to the hotel. Additionally, the fire alarm was set off in the hotel, resulting in the demise of the elevators. And yes, we climbed the stairs. Ninth floor.

It was an excellent New Year's Eve, celebrated in the Grand Ballroom of the hotel, with a perfectly cooked Canadian prime rib, champagne, and nothing reminiscent of the North Pole.

By the end of the anniversary, I was practically sunny, having completely regained the feeling in my feet and able to bend my knees. My husband was as he always is, steady and sane.

It's evident who got the better part of the deal in this partnership of ours. He's the one who suggested as we were about to leave that perhaps we could change the anniversary to June.

Until next week, I wish you the best. Suggestions for topics are always welcome. I can be reached at 786-2017 or by mail at *The AAN* (P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030).

Bon Appetit!

Organ Concert Slated At Suffield 1st Church

Suffield: An Organ Concert, the third event of the Music on High Concert Series of the First Church of Christ, Congregational in Suffield, will be held in the sanctuary of First Church at 81 High Street in Suffield Center on Sunday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m., followed by a reception in the Ebenezer Gay Room.

James Rogers, local organist, will play seldom heard works by Mozart, C.P.E. Bach, Schumann, Pergolesi, and Mendelssohn.

Featured will be the church's 1981 Gress-Miles Mechanical Action Pipe Organ, one of the largest pipe organs of its type in New England.

Mr. Rogers is well-known in Connecticut as both an organist and as a singer. His recital engagements have taken him to churches throughout the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

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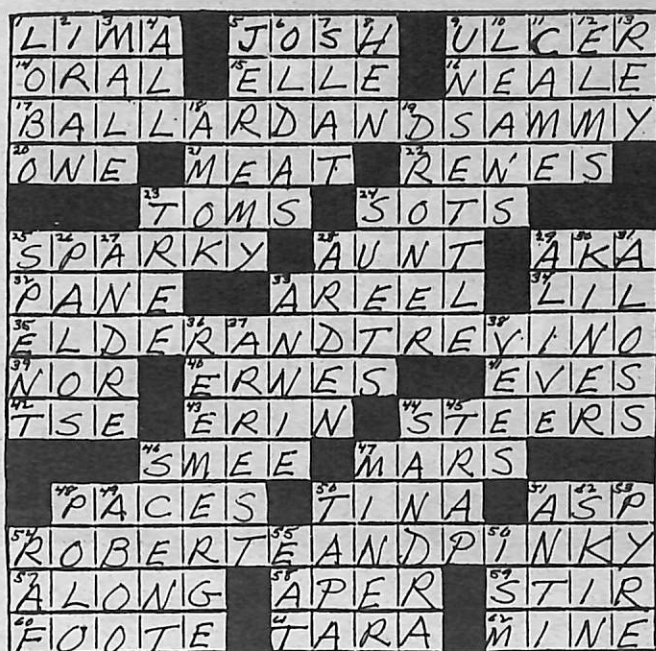
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Looking Back...

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JANUARY 10th - ARMY'S CHIEF-OF-STAFF WON'T ATTEND CELEBRATION IN HIS HONOR

Plans for a celebration in May to honor Agawam's most famous son and the Army's Chief-of-Staff were somewhat dampened last night by the announcement that the guest of honor will not attend.

At a meeting of a committee formed to make plans to honor General Creighton W. Abrams, former head of U.S. forces in Vietnam who was named Army Chief-of-Staff in November, Councilman Frederick Nardi said the general wants to avoid publicity.

JANUARY 10th - NEW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL SET FOR OPENING ON JANUARY 22nd

The School Committee approved Tuesday, January 22nd as opening date for the new Junior High School on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Superintendent of Schools Robert Gardner said ninth grade will occupy the west wing of the upper floor.

James Coon, school system Business Manager, said access to areas of the building which are still under construction will be blocked off.

JANUARY 12th - JUNIOR HIGH CONSTRUCTION NOT FAULTY, SAYS SUPERINTENDENT

School Superintendent Dr. Robert Gardner said today rumors concerning faulty construction of the new Junior High School are "unfounded."

"There are no cracks in the pool or anywhere else. I would also like to add that the school is not sinking," Dr. Gardner said.

School Committee member Walter Balboni said members of the Building Committee and Town Council toured the building with Dr. Gardner before Christmas and found no unusual cracks or structural deficiencies.

JANUARY 16th - HOUSING BOARD ACCEPTS STATE CALL FOR MAGOVERN SITE

The Housing Authority voted Monday to rescind a previous vote to take the Hall property at Silver Street and Perry Lane for an elderly housing project.

The Authority voted instead to take the Magovern property off Wright Street in compliance with a demand by the state Department of Community Affairs. (DCA)

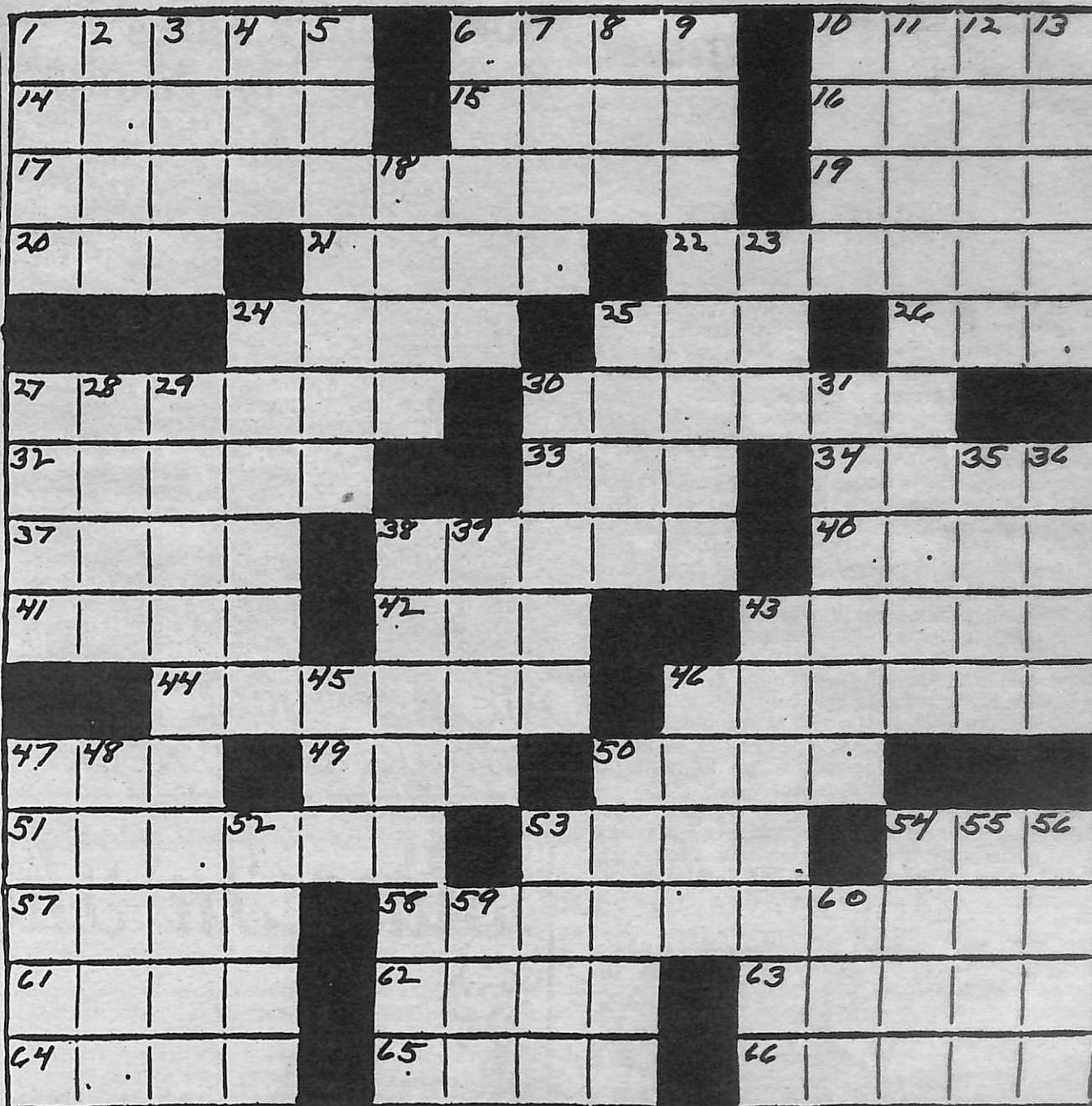
On a motion of Daniel DiDonato, the Board voted 3-2 to approve the Magovern property and to rescind its vote for the Hall property. Chairman Raymond E. Charest's switch vote, in effect, carried the action to rescind the previous vote in favor of the Hall property. The third vote was cast by member Frank Chriscola. Alfred St. John and Richard Dudek voted in opposition.

DCA Commissioner Miles Mahoney blasted the Authority for "consistently dragging its feet" over the proposed elderly housing project.

Mahoney told the Authority, "Both the taxpayers of the Commonwealth and the elderly of Agawam have suffered because of inability of the Agawam Housing Authority Board to reach a lasting consensus."

Jack Leff, secretary of Elder Affairs, endorsed Mahoney's letter and added, inquiries concerning allegations against Andrew Gallano's conduct showed Gallano "has acted in the best interests of this office in securing better housing for the elders of Agawam."

MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



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Pisano's Picks...

ON VIDEO

by Louis Pisano

Shining Stars?

Below are three films that feature a big-name actor; the only catch is that they weren't that famous yet. Rent them and see how they looked and how their acting improved.

* Satisfaction

Director: Joan Freeman. 1988. Rated PG-13. 1 hour and 35 minutes. Starring: Justine Bateman, Liam Neeson, Trini Alvarado, Julia Roberts, Deborah Harry, and Chris Nash.

What's this? Julia Roberts getting fourth billing under Justine Bateman? That's right, folks! This is one of Hollywood's "Pretty Woman's" first film roles.

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Education

Innovative Cars Transform Gym At Middle School

by Kathy Cassanelli
School Department Editor

The small gym at the Agawam Middle School was transformed into an authentic speedway with a specially designed race track, official starters, a race moderator and, of course, enthusiastic entrants eager to prove their car had what it takes to win as technical education teacher Maynard Baker staged the First Annual CO2 Car Races at the school.

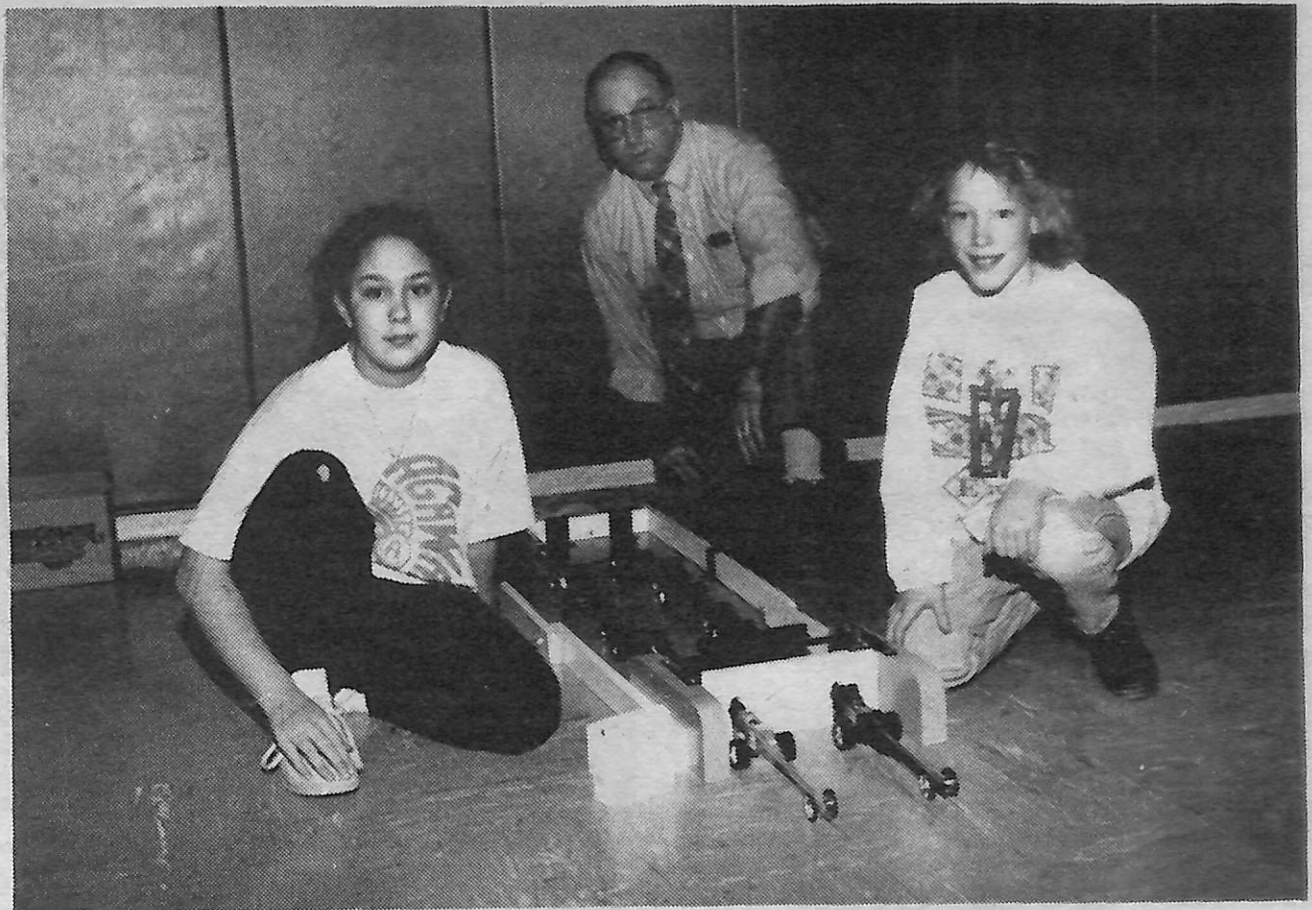
Under the direction of race moderator Jennifer Marr, the students from Anthony Ferreira's homeroom raced their cars in a series of heats to determine whose custom-made car would have the honor of capturing first place.

As the launch team, students **Marisa McLaughlin** and **Megan Rohan** inserted the CO2 cartridges in the specially designed slot in the back of each car, attached the car to the guide wire making up the raceway, and pressed the release to send two cars rocketing down the course at speeds estimated at 30 miles per hour. "They can't be picked up on radar," Baker noted. "We tried in the past to clock them using police radar."

At the end of the course, the recovery team of **Jeff Pickett** and **Michael Whitehead** stood ready to declare the winners as the cars slammed into the thick foam of the backdrop, while the rest of the students sat on the sidelines anxious for their car's turn to race.

The tension was palpable as the students waited to hear the PSSSST! of the CO2 cartridges as the cars blasted down the course. "I love this," Baker grinned as the excited shouts of his students bounced off the walls.

At the end of two trials, **Amanda Sternowski** was confident her brightly-painted entry, "The



MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER Maynard Baker with two of his race track participants, students **Michelle Reynolds** (left) and **Katie Turnbull**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mighty Duck," would be the winner. However, the duck waddled out of contention after its third try.

At the end of four trials, **Mike McGrath's** black car proved itself to be the fastest. Coming in second was **Gina Loudfoot's** creation (painted gray with red and blue shading). The Black Widow owned by **Jennifer Marr** was third.

Students Choose Best-Looking Car

After the race, the students returned to the tech ed classroom to choose the best-looking car. "Varned by Baker to "Look at the cars, not at your friends," the students are expected to make their choices on merit rather than on loyalty to their friends.

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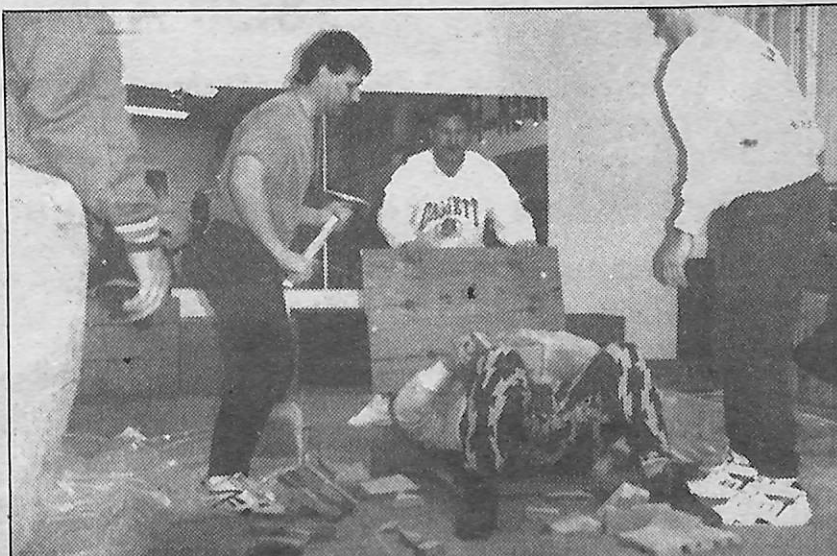
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Pisano's Picks...

ON VIDEO

by Louis Pisano

Shining Stars?

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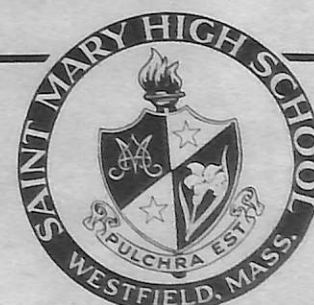
STRING INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS from the Middle School and Jr. High include, back row - Nick Duquette, Brad Tilden, Nicole Megtulski, Melissa Boissonneault, Melaine Poirier, and Meredith Quitno, string teacher. Front row - Mrs. Linda Webb (pianist), Jennifer Gates, Megan Conkey, and Courtney Megatulski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

According to Baker, the project originated at the Junior High School. This is the first time the project has been tried at the Middle School level. "We hope to keep this here," Baker said. "It's a good tech ed design project with a follow through in trying it out."

Once the cars are cut out, the students sand the cars and take them home to be spray-painted with help from their parents. Baker said getting the parents involved was an important aspect of the project.

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Max the Cat

Max the big fat cat
Sat in a floppy old hat
Waiting for his lunch to come by
But when it didn't he sighed good-bye.

Billy Nowell

My Cat Fluff

My cat's name is Fluff
She gets into lots of stuff.
Her color is white
She is such a pretty sight.
Sometimes she isn't very nice
When she eats mice.
She likes to go outside at night
There she gets into a fight.
Sometimes she has to go to the vet
But I still like my pet.
My cat is almost four
I hope she lives much, much more.

Carolyn Gomes

Christmas Time

Christmas is the best time of year
When Christmas songs ring in your ear.
Opening presents is my favorite treat
And chocolate candies for me to eat.
Decorating the Christmas tree
Jumping up and down with glee.
The smells of my grandma's pie
I love to eat them that's no lie.
Snow falling on the ground
Making snow angels lying down.
Christmas is the best time of year
Don't miss it, so give a big cheer.

Laura Reveruzzi

Spring

The sun was shining,
The snow was melting real fast,
Spring was coming soon.

Matthew Gaffney



THE KIDS' KORNER CLASS of Janice DeFilipi, Room 303, sixth grade, Agawam Middle School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The Baseball Runner

The runner hits the ball,
and takes a big fall.
The runner rounds the base,
like he's in a huge race.
He's gonna score a run,
and he's having lots of fun.
He finally gets a score,
and the team wants more.

Dominic Montessi

A Simple Thought

When I come home you're always there.
I ask to go outside you think and stare.
A simple, "yes," is your reply.
Your eyes are blue like the sky.
I think of us playing catch in the yard.
I throw light and you throw hard.
I challenge you and throw a lot faster.
The ball gets to you and you wing it with laughter.
As we walk inside to get some rest.
I think of how my dad is the best.

Katie Pisano

My Boat Ride Around The World

I went on a boat ride around the world
to see what I could see.
I took the route Columbus took across
the shining sea.
I went around America to Asia and Japan.
I even stopped at England to see a
marching band.
I ended my journey but all I can say,
There's no place in the world like the old USA.

Matthew Gaffney

Careers

What do you want to be, when you grow up?
A veterinarian, marine biologist, or win the
Stanley Cup?
Maybe you could be a doctor or a teacher.
Or be a cheerleader and warm the bleacher.
When I grow up I want to be a manager.
Or be a big star or buy a plane hangar.
What do you want to be when you grow up?
Set the pace for the Olympics or train cats
and pups.

Jennifer Cook

Halloween

It was a full moon,
Bats and witches flew around,
It was Halloween

Matthew Gaffney

The Leaves In Fall

The leaves are falling,
The colors are changing too,
Red, orange and gold.

Anthony Goodrow

Clouds

The clouds are moving,
They come in many sizes,
Some are small, some big.

Anthony Goodrow

Dew Drops

The dew on cob webs,
sparkled in the morning light,
of another day.

Laura Reveruzzi

Blizzard

The snow fell down hard,
the branches swayed gracefully,
The birds flew swiftly.

Jon Watson

Foliage

The trees stood so firm,
The birds flew with lots of grace,
The geese flew in v's.

Jon Watson

Butterflies

Butterflies flutter,
They fly softly in the breeze,
They swiftly swoop down.

Pamela Gervais

Storm

The waves roll loudly,
They crash and they dive harshly,
The storm has begun.

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KIDS' KORNER - from Page 40...**The Leaves**

The leaves are changing,
Fall comes and they change color,
Then they go away.

Vinny Alfano

Glowing Suns

The rays from the sun,
Glowed down on the golden field,
with lots of beauty.

Laura Reveruzzi

The Autumn

Beautiful leaves sway,
And then a great big tree falls,
where girls and boys live.

Mike Martin

The Acrobat

Through the air flies Acrobat
Here and yon, would you look at that.
Flies through the air with the greatest of ease
He's landed face first in one of the trees.

Michael Ratkiewicz

My Sister Kate

My sister Kate
Sat on a gate
There she did set
Until she knew it was wet.

Big Joe bob

Big Joe bob
Ate corn on the cob
Spilled butter down his pants
Then did a little dance.

Billy Nowell

Sue

There once was a girl named Sue.
She was so sick she turned blue!
She then took a pill
And now she isn't ill.

Bill

Small, small Bill
Skied downhill.
He went off a jump
And got a bump!

Carolyn Gomes

There goes Joe
You say so.
He is four foot two
But that's not new.

There goes Sue
That is new
She hardly goes out
Now she's all about.

Michael Krapf

Little Ann Marie

Little Ann Marie
Sitting in a tree,
Saw an old owl
Looked like a towel.

Old John Stone

Old John Stone
Started to moan.
From the chocolate cake
He had a toothache.

Matthew Gaffney

Poor Little Kate

Poor Little Kate
Doesn't know how to skate.
Fell right down
And aroused the town.

Oh! Mr. Stone

Oh! Mr. Stone
Began to moan.
He had a toothache
From too much cake.

Katie Pisano

Holiday Celebration At Phelps School

PHELPS SCHOOL STUDENTS put on a holiday program just before the Christmas break last month. The play included a visit from Santa Claus (below). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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A one-hour informational presentation will be conducted by Ms. Kathy Skanlin, followed by a half-hour question and answer period.

This meeting is open to all parents, students, and interested parties from Agawam and surrounding communities.

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How Parents Can Turn Off TV Violence

Oftentimes, when speaking with parents, the topic of TV violence comes up. Some of the most common questions are: 1) Does TV violence have a direct correlation to real-life violence?; and 2) How can we, as parents, control or combat TV violence?

Recently, the following article appeared in a principals' journal that I thought might be of interest to you...

It's hard to believe, but by the end of elementary school, the average American child has watched 8,000 murders and 100,000 acts of violence on television—including children's programs. Many mental health professionals warn that this constant bombardment of violence desensitizes children and has spawned an alarming increase in juvenile delinquency.

Few critics dispute the link between TV and real-life violence. In fact, the TV industry made a tacit admission of its concern by recently agreeing to cut back on program violence. And, Congress is considering legislation that would impose controls on TV violence.

Meanwhile, worried parents need not feel helpless. You can do something about TV violence. Here are some suggestions:

Set an example: Don't leave the TV on all the time, even when you're eating or engaged in other activities. Select specific programs for information or entertainment, and don't watch violent "adult" shows when children are present.

Don't use TV as a babysitter: Keep interesting items handy as alternatives to TV, such as jigsaw and crossword puzzles, board games, crayons, pencils, paper, books, and magazines.

Former AHS Grad "Teacher Of The Year"

In the last few years, Mansfield, Connecticut Middle School teacher Paul David Osypuk, former graduate of Agawam High School who is the son of Paul and Elsie Osypuk of Sunset Terrace, Feeding Hills, has achieved what some teachers wait a lifetime for.

Earlier this year, Osypuk, a seventh-grade math teacher was named Mansfield Teacher of the Year for 1994. Last year, among other accolades, he was one of three educators to win the Connecticut Association of School Teachers of the year award and he received a 1992 Eisenhower Math/Science Consortium Grant to help develop math projects to share with other state teachers.

Recently, Osypuk was awarded a Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching.

19-Year Teacher

Osypuk, who has been teaching 19 years, is one of four teachers in Connecticut to receive the national award, which recognizes outstanding teachers who are models for their colleagues, and inspire learning with creative teaching methods.

Reject all other "violent" media: Make it a family rule that violence has no place in your home, whether on videotapes, video games, radio programs, music lyrics, or reading materials.

Schedule daily activities: Teach your child to plan a daily after-school schedule in which TV fills only a small block of time - or perhaps none.

Plan a weekly TV schedule: Sit down each week with your child and choose suitable children's and family programs from the weekly TV listings.

Use TV to teach: Children interpret what they see on TV differently than adults. They may not be able to distinguish fiction from fact, and something you think is funny may terrify a child. Therefore, it's a good idea to watch programs with your child and explain the difference between news and entertainment, reality and make-believe, education and exploitation. Discuss programs with your children and compare your family values with those shown on TV.

Keep an eye on the tube: Locate the family TV in a central location where you can monitor who is watching what. Children should not have TV sets in their bedrooms, although radios may be permitted and books are encouraged. Watch and evaluate new programs—even cartoons—before you let your child tune in.

Encourage other activities: The average American child watches TV for 27 hours a week, almost as much time as is spent in school! You can reduce TV time by requiring or promoting other at-home activities, such as exercise, hobbies, crafts, reading, playing games, tending pets, helping with household tasks, doing homework, keeping a journal, and writing letters.

Look for good TV: There are many fine programs on television that you can watch with your children, including concerts, plays, sports events, nature and wildlife shows, animated films, and movies suitable for children.

Join forces to oppose TV violence: Cooperate with teachers and other parents in efforts to reduce TV violence by writing or calling local and network television officials, government regulatory agencies, and Congressional leaders. Let them know that you are concerned about TV violence and advocate the development of quality programs for children. You might want to volunteer to be a member of a panel of parents, teachers, and students that reviews TV programs and movies, and publishes its reviews in the school paper.

Hopefully, some of these suggestions will be helpful in addressing a growing concern most of us share.

The award, given to 216 educators throughout the country, will mean a four-day, expense-paid trip for Osypuk and his wife, Ana, to Washington, this spring. While there, he will be a guest of honor at an awards ceremony, meet representatives of the White House, and attend a dinner at the State Department.

Osypuk will also share his ideas on teaching with other award winners at workshops during the trip.

On top of the other honors, Osypuk, of Hampton, Connecticut, and his wife are expecting their first child this month.

"I am having a year like you wouldn't believe, but the ultimate winners here are the students," said Osypuk, 40. "The students win from this because the awards act as incentive for teachers to be as creative as they can be."

For Osypuk, being imaginative means such things as having students create businesses and do their own marketing, analysis, floor plans, and advertising, helping them see how math ties into the real world.

Agawam Schools' "What's Happening" (January 14th — January 21st)

- * **January 17th - Monday**
Martin Luther King Day - No school.
- * **January 18th - Tuesday**
Robinson Park School - Adelphi Read Aloud Program begins.
Middle School - School Advisory Council Meeting, 3:30 p.m.
Junior High School - "Camera Day": All students invited to take pictures (black and white, if possible) for yearbook consideration. Also, all students in clubs, etc., dress appropriately for yearbook photos.
High School - Program presented by Mass Council on Compulsive Gambling, 6:30 p.m. (everyone welcome); Blue Sky Committee Meeting, 7:15 p.m.
- * **January 19th - Wednesday**
Phelps School - PTO Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- * **January 20th - Thursday**
Granger School - School Advisory Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (in cafeteria).
Middle School - Completion of yearbook pictures.
- * **January 21st - Friday**
Marking period ends.
Clark School - "Crazy Hat Day" for all students and staff.
Middle School - D.A.R.E. Graduation for fifth grade, 1:15 p.m. (in auditorium).
High School - Midterm finals begin (6th period final).

Kristen A. Radtke Helping Hungry

Kristen A. Radtke, daughter of Paul and Deborah Radtke of 135 Karen Lynn Circle, Feeding Hills, is devoting part of her Christmas break from Gordon College to work with the Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization (ECHO) in North Fort Myers, Florida.

ECHO is an interdenominational Christian organization dedicated to the fight against world hunger. It provides consulting services, agricultural information and seeds to those working in the Third World with both peasant farmers and urban gardeners.

Radtke, a dean's list senior, is majoring in chemistry at Gordon, located in Wenham.

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Pack 75 (Den 1) Of Sacred Heart Holds Craft Night



DEN 1 of Pack 75, Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, recently hosted a craft night with residents of Heritage Hall Nursing Home. Each scout worked with a resident to make a Christmas tree decoration by using a pine cone as the base. Jeffrey Woodard, a scout, played a few carols on the piano. Some carols were sung and then refreshments were served.

Curriculum Committee Update...

Schools & Library Link-Up Improved By Sub-Committee

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

As part of the ongoing work of curriculum review throughout the Agawam School System, Curriculum Chairwoman Ann Favreau recently circulated a letter to all staff members updating them on the progress made to date.

The initial survey of all topics taught pre-kindergarten through grade 12 has been completed, and curriculum committee members have developed a baseline for instruction now being presented to the students.

For the remainder of this school year, the committee will focus its attention on the Language Arts Program (to determine whether or not the present reading series is meeting the needs of the students).

At Agawam High School, faculty member Lawrence O'Brien is heading up a team investigating the secondary English program.

Through the efforts of the sub-committee on Community Resources, a communication link has been set up between the schools and the Agawam Public Library to improve cooperation between teachers and librarians.

Using an assignment notification form developed in cooperation with the library staff, teachers giving a major assignment to a large group of students can alert the library so that the Reference Department can remove some materials from circulation.

A Problem For Library Staff & Students

According to Acting Chief Librarian Peter Wark, it has been frustrating for the library staff, as well

as the students, when all materials dealing with a particular subject were checked out. This left some students without access to a wide range of resources.

Under the new system, when the library receives an assignment notification form, materials are pulled from the shelves and stored at the reference desk for use within the library only.

"It's always been a problem. We didn't know a major assignment had been given until it was too late," Wark stated. "This way, we're benefiting the students and ourselves."

During the fall semester, Wark said 16 requests had been made by teachers and school librarians for reference materials.

Wark identified a need for more publicity for the program. "We hope it will continue to gain acceptance in the school system."

Using a federal grant secured through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, Wark said the library has turned its attention to improving services to students.

Within six to eight weeks, Wark hopes to open the Student High Tech Multimedia Education Center. This will consist of two computer stations equipped with CD-ROM. Using software that combines text with audio and video, students will have the use of 10 programs (including an encyclopedia) on disc.

"It seems like a good convergence with Ann's (Favreau) work and our grant," Wark said. "We're all working toward the same goal."

AHS Final Exam Schedule (All Grades)

The dates of scheduled exams are subject to adjustment caused by any school cancellations.

* Day 87

Friday, January 21st

1st-5th—Regular Classes and Lunch Periods

12:11 - 1:45—6th Period Class Exams

* Day 88

Monday, January 24th

7:35 - 9:05—1st Period Class Exams

9:10 - 10:40—2nd Period Class Exams

10:45 - 12:15—3rd Period Class Exams

12:45 - 1:55—Teachers available for correcting and reviewing exams

* Day 89

Tuesday, January 25th

7:35 - 9:05—4th Period Class Exams

9:10 - 10:40—5th Period Class Exams

10:45 - 12:15—7th Period Class Exams

12:45 - 1:55—Teachers available for correcting and reviewing exams

* Day 90

Wednesday, January 26th

7:35 - 9:05—Make Up Exams

9:10 - 10:40—Make Up Exams

Agawam Schools' Weekly Lunch Menu

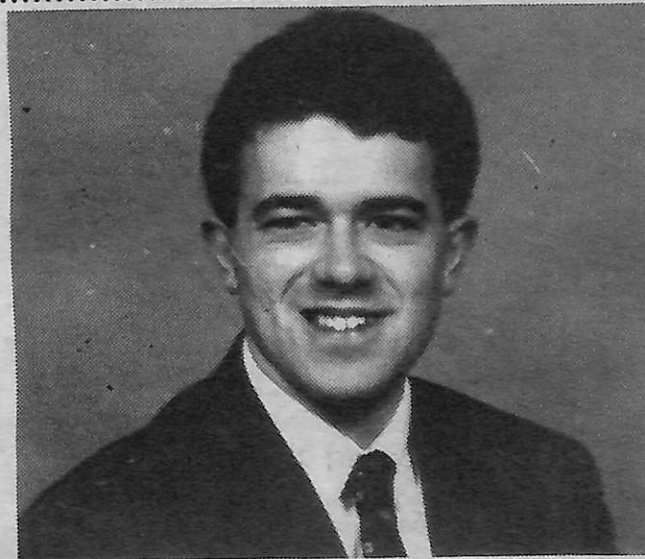
Monday, January 17th: Martin Luther King Day (no school).

Tuesday, January 18th: Pepperoni-topped pizza, niblet corn, chilled applesauce, milk.

Wednesday, January 19th: Rotini with meat sauce, tossed salad, greens with dressing, Italian bread & butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Thursday, January 20th: Cup of tomato & macaroni soup, meat & cheese sandwich in roll (with mayonnaise and mustard), raw carrot curls, peanut butter cookie or chilled pears in syrup, milk.

Friday, January 21st: Chicken & tortellini soup, fluffernutter sandwich or grilled cheese sandwich, oven potato puffs with catsup, cup of ice cream, milk.



PETER SCHEIDLE

Peter Scheidle Earns Master's

Peter Scheidle of 25 Plantation Drive, Agawam, recently completed a 2½-year program at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, to earn a master of science degree in chemical engineering. His thesis and dissertation were the results of a grant for research on chemical reactions on the surface of solids under the direction of Dr. Brad Anton.

Peter is a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School, and he earned a B.S. degree in 1991 from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. He has accepted a position with Allied Chemical Corporation at its research and development facility in Buffalo, New York.

PLEASE REMEMBER that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime. However, we do appreciate those early-birds who bring in their copy on Friday or Monday.



Sports

MIAA Denies AHS Appeal On Youriy

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

"C'mon, go up strong! For crying out loud, you are six foot nine and you went up like you are two foot three. Too many cheeseburgs, that's your trouble. Too many cheeseburgs."

The sounds of an Agawam High boys' basketball practice. The sounds of Coach Mike Martin trying to toughen up his Ukrainian transfer student. Youriy Zdrak incurring the wrath of Martin.

Seconds later, it is Justin David who is in the soup. Before that, it was Chris Bitzas. It's business as usual at AHS—Martin told *The AAN* that he had to toughen up this bunch and he is doing exactly that.

But, isn't Youriy Zdrak the kid that was ruled ineligible on more than one occasion by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA)? What is he doing on the court?

"As far as I am concerned," Martin stated, "he is on our ballclub and he has been on our ballclub. It is a mystery to me why they (the MIAA) continue to deny him the chance to play. There must be some force in this area that is competing against the kid."

Zdrak's name and presence first surfaced in the hearts and minds of Agawam fans, coaches, and administrators late last summer when Martin contacted Agawam High Athletic Director Kathy McSweeney to get the ball rolling regarding enrollment and eligibility at Agawam.

Miss McSweeney remembers it well: "The kid was standing in my doorway. I mean, taking up the whole doorway." As she recalled that first meeting, she said with a smile, "He was so polite. He bowed upon entering and everything."

"What bugs me so much about this ruling," she continued, "is that Youriy is exactly what education is all about. When he first enrolled in September, he wasn't doing any homework or schoolwork, and we had to sit him down and explain about how things are done in the USA."

"We had to tell him that education and athletics are intertwined and that you don't do one without the other. I told him not to expect any special treatment. So, the kid buckled right down and did term papers and everything else. He was learning. He was fitting in. And then came the shock," said Miss McSweeney.

The Call From The MIAA

The "shock" came from the MIAA when William Gaine called the high school on December 10th to state that Zdrak would be ineligible to play. He told us that Agawam High had broken no rules and that by "the letter of the rule, we are correct and that he is eligible." The MIAA's problem became one entangled in the web of a concept called "the spirit of the rule."

So, Agawam High athletics has challenged itself to follow up on the matter. They were formally denied again last week and will go in for a final appeal at presstime. If they are not satisfied with those results, the Brownies will follow up with legal action.

"Nobody wants to sue their governing body," said Miss McSweeney, "but this kid is an example that the system works. He has made a two-year commitment to our community. He was brought here to play basketball (by Kim Buhuny, who is involved with the Goodwill Games). He has been embraced by the community, and I think that he will add a lot of positives around here."

As far as his size and talent go, Martin has been quick to point out that surely Zdrak should not be barred due to his ability.

"Hey, nobody has seen the kid play, really," stated Martin. "He is a project. There are a lot of things that we will have to teach him. If he gets cleared to play, he will be coming off our bench until he begins to blend and mesh with the rest of these kids. We are a very weak rebounding team and, naturally, I believe that he can help us in that area. We also intend to use him as a deterrent defensively in the middle."

"As far as offense goes, I'm not sure how long it will take us to get him where we would like to get him," he added.

Meanwhile, Martin's team has struggled to a 1-6 start. Martin, a veteran of three state championship trophies as coach, has never been 1-6, but he certainly isn't down on his club.

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AHS Girls' Hoop Stop Top Rivals

Stone's Big 1st Half Powers Brownies Past State Champs Amherst

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Let's start with the first half highlights of last Wednesday's Agawam High-Amherst High girls' basketball game at Clifford P. Kibbe Gymnasium in Agawam.

Cyndi Stone made a free throw and then powered home a bucket inside. She made a steal and a layup and then hit a turnaround shot. She rebounded one home and then threw another carom into the hoop. She made another free throw and followed that up by hitting both ends of a one and one. Stone concluded by posting up for a pretty one on the right block.

Sixteen powerful points and one personal foul later, she led her Brownie team to the locker room with a dominating "in-your-face" 33-15 lead over the reigning state champions.

Stone Says "No Dice"

The Agawam senior standout did almost all of that damage while being pummelled, smacked, and grabbed underneath. The Hurricanes won't deny this. This was their game plan. They wanted a game filled with whistles and they wanted Stone to get involved in the chippiness. Cyndi said "no dice" as she played a game above their heads and it worked to her advantage.

It was even more impressive when you note that Agawam had lost junior Kristin Schmaelzle to early foul trouble. She hit the pine with just four minutes gone because she was saddled with three personals.

And the plot got even thicker for Amherst when Agawam's Katie LaBreck came off the bench and nailed six first half markers in a wide variety of ways. This allowed Coach Lou Conte to begin realizing that the depth of this ballclub may turn out to be a pleasant surprise.

The undefeated Brownies (7-0) went about the business of winning the ballgame by the score of 60-47 as they withstood a furious Hurricane rally (a 16-2 second half burst) to hold their powerful Northern kin at bay long enough to grab their seventh win.

Stone would go on to score 21 points to lead all scorers. The Hurricanes would get 20 solid points from Emily Shore and 13 long range markers from Jan Klenowski. But as often is the case, they learned their lesson too late in the ballgame.

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'Hamp Blue Devils Give Brownies Test In 53-41 Battle

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

You can tell from pre-game warmups how much Tom Parent and Lou Conte like and respect one another. Both coaches spend their weeks consumed with making their basketball teams better and better, and each of them only gets six or eight opportunities per season to showcase their ballclub's ability.

Parent brought his Northampton High Blue Devils into Agawam to face off against Conte's Agawam High Brownies on Tuesday night. And it was wonderful and marvelous and reminiscent of some of the outstanding battles that have been waged in recent years.

It was nearly a classic, actually. Parent and his Blue Devils were poised to sting Agawam in their role as underdog. 'Hamp had lost one ballgame in overtime to Cathedral, and Agawam came into action with their losing cupboard bare. Louis had them at 7-0 coming in.

Agawam continues along a path that allows zero defects. They must conquer Amherst, Northampton, and undefeated Longmeadow at home in order to hold its serve. All three clubs are dangerous home and away.

Agawam had put back the Hurricane charge by swatting Amherst 60-47 on the previous Friday, and everybody in the gym knew that Coach Mary Murray and her undefeated Lancers were present and accounted for.

Murray is often seen at area events with her entire team on a scouting mission. Longmeadow figures to pose as tough a challenge as they have in years. That was the past and future, but this was a night to focus on the present: the Blue Devils.

There was also a subplot. Cyndi Stone, Agawam's 6'2" center, needed 26 points to reach the 1,000-point plateau for her career. That's a ton of points in a big game, but it might take that many for the Brownies to get the win.

Both Teams Pleased Their Respective Fans

So Tuesday night promised plenty of drama and the two teams didn't disappoint a soul. The lone disappointment in the game was the sudden realization that Stone had fouled out with 2:15 remaining.

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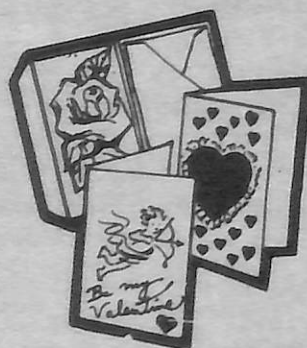


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By spending so much energy trying to foul out a star player, a team generally forgets about doing the things that they actually do well. They get away from the game plan, and the opposing team's star ends up hurting more than expected.

When Amherst realized that Stone was going to be a factor throughout, it tightened up its full-court defense and began to give the Brownies some problems. When LaBreck nailed a corner set shot to put Agawam up 45-27, the Hurricanes finally received their wake-up call.

Suddenly Rattled Club

They blazed to an 8-0 run that had Conte without his jacket or tie at the 6:11 mark. He was getting a time out for his suddenly rattled club.

Out of that break, Team Emily (Emily Shore and Emily Jones) each added a pair of points that had the lead trimmed to 45-39 and Cliff Kibbe Gym was rocking just like the old days.

Conte got himself another time out and the diagram unmistakably had the rock travelling in Stone's direction. Stone rapped home the next three points as the time out (and the proper execution of what was learned there) propelled the Brownies on an 11-0 run. That served to seal the deal with 2:15 remaining on the clock and Agawam up by a 56-39 score. IT'S ALL OVER! IT'S ALL OVER!

Dina DeMarco, Agawam's junior point guard, showed her offensive arsenal late in the game. This is fast becoming something to watch from Conte's talented squad. It's as if each of them has a part of the game that they are responsible for. And it seems like each of them knows exactly when to step up and make that big contribution.

DeMarco scored late in the first half and late in the second as well to put herself into the scorer's book with 11 points. Schmaelzle came off the pine to burn the cords for 10 quick points (all in the second half) after her early foul difficulty had forced her to sit for much of the first half.

Another telltale contribution for Agawam might have been the biggest boost of the day for Agawam. Jamie Thomas played at forward for big chunks of the first half for Agawam and she let the fans and her coach know that she is willing to mix it up in there and carve out some territory for herself.

In a solid display of fundamental skills and hustle, Jamie got herself mentioned several times by the knowledgeable folks at the scorer's table. She worked hard in there and made a difference. She also helped the team by knocking in two buckets along the way.

Agawam's tough stretch continues as they host Northampton on Tuesday night (story this edition—weather permitting!). Then the Longmeadow High Lancers (also undefeated at this writing) will come to Agawam on Friday.

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AHS Frosh Girls' Hoop Team Rolling Along



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH girls' freshman basketball team has been rolling through the opposition during the first half of the season. Back row, from left - Coach Lynda Kunasek, Missy Troie, Sharon Chicklaus, Lisa Reveruzzi, Andrea Nolan, and Lisa Gallerani. Front row - Pam Eaton, Jeanne O'Neil, Meg Berry, Tara Grealis, and Danielle Curly. Advertiser

News photo by Jack Devine.

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"No way am I down on these kids," he emphasized. "They really have given us everything this year. We are still in the first half of the season, and like I tell the kids, it's like being in the first half of a ballgame. We can come back and I think that we will, once we get into league play."

So, as the wheels of justice spin and the youngster and his team await the decisions that are forthcoming, Martin continues to coach his team and wait. And Youriy just keeps eating those cheeseburgers.

So whether it's "Have It Your Way" at Burger King, or "Get What You Want at McDonald's today," Youriy Zdrak is hoping that one of those slogans holds true so that he can don the orange and brown uniform.

And there are many Brownie fans who share that same concern.

MIAA Nixes Zdrak On Wed.

The Advertiser News learned late Wednesday afternoon that the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athlete Association has denied a final appeal from Agawam High School to allow 6'9" Ukranian transfer student Youriy Zdrak to play basketball for the orange & brown this season.

At presstime, Coach Mike Martin said the town will probably take legal action in Hampden County Superior Court against the MIAA.

Further details in next week's edition.

Brownie Girls Prevail In The Waters Vs. Rival West Side

The Agawam High girls' swim team won their meet against West Springfield on Monday by a score of 104-81. Heather Pliska showed her phenomenal talent by breaking two records. One was the 200-yard freestyle in 2:01.48, and the other was the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:10.64.

Rachel Niemiec was a double winner in the meet, swimming the 100-yard backstroke in 1:11.53 and the 50-yard freestyle in :28.94. Tammy Leary took first place in diving, and Jessica Przybyla came in second.

The 500-yard freestyle was won by freshman Sara Pliska with a time of 6:21.49, and Jessica Crowley was also a first-place winner in the 100-yard butterfly (1:09.48).

Strong performances by Beth Meagher and Natalie Piccin made certain of a win.

On Tuesday, the girls didn't fare quite so well, losing to Westfield 107-79. Coach Jason Osborne says his team swam well, but Westfield is tough to beat.

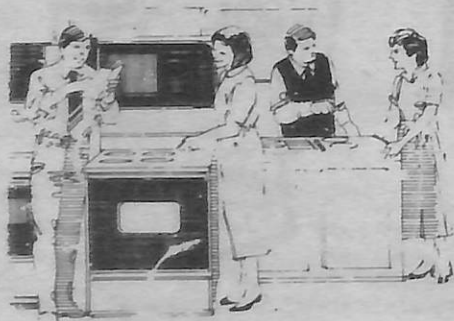
Heather Pliska had another terrific meet, smashing the record for the 200-yard individual medley; the record was 2:22 and is now 2:17.55! Heather also won the 100-yard breaststroke.

Rachel Niemiec did well in the 100-yard backstroke, taking first place with a time of 1:10.58. Strong performances were also turned in by Tara Rifkin, Emily Gomez, and Brenda Borkowsky.

by Terry Johnson

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AHS Skiing...

Skiers' Revenge: AHS Hits Slopes As Season Opens

by Shelly Michaels
Advertiser News Correspondent

Well, it finally arrived ... the eagerly awaited 1994 ski season. And oh, how Mother Nature cooperated. Snow, snow, snow!!!

The Agawam High School girls' ski team opened the season on Thursday, January 6th, as the defending division champs. The battleground was Berkshire East, where an exemplary performance propelled them into first place in the Giant Slalom of Division C by topping Hampshire, Cathedral, and West Springfield.

The four best times were led by team captain Dyan DeLuce (32.69), closely followed by Kim Graveline (33.08). The third best team time was scored by Danielle Petrangelo (36.15), and the fourth by Kara McDade (38.72).

Coach Jim Graveline boasted, "I am very proud of the girls' accomplishments. They are an intense group who love the sport and work well together as a team."

Jen DaSilva, sidelined last year, posted an impressive score of 39.93, while Chris Trauschke did a fantastic job subbing for the varsity squad. Coach Jim Graveline stated, "As the season progresses, we can expect to see even better scores. The girls are certainly capable of staying on top."

On the same day, the boy's ski team placed fourth in Division B in the 48-gate Slalom race. Although the course was pitted, rutted, and somewhat steeper than what the Brownies are familiar with, senior Joe Scherpa still pulled in an outstanding score of 44.85, aided by co-captain Matt Bellico's supportive 50.10.

Freshman Ben Weld scored 54.11, while Andy Markowski registered the fourth best team time of 54.37.

Coach Glenn Olsen exclaimed, "I am very happy placing fourth. Surprisingly, it was the underclassmen that saved the team today. With the elimination of a couple of our key skiers, we needed those two other times to keep close to Cathedral."

Co-captain Joe Scherpa's performance placed him seventh overall in the league. Skiing with determination and confidence, he has proved he can compete with the top skiers in the division. Olsen added, "Cathedral has a little bit more depth, but if we continue to bring in good team times, we will stay very close and hopefully surpass them."

Adding to the difficulty of this is the fact that the competitors are not allowed practice runs prior to the race. They have but one chance to make a clean run while going for the best time on the clock.

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BEAT NORTHAMPTON - from Page 44...

As she lay on the floor, most of the crowd knew that she was just one point shy of that coveted 1,000th point when her disqualifying foul denied her an opportunity that evening.

The Brownies had pulled away with a final spurt en route to a 53-41 victory. But this was no easy 12-point win. For instance, the Brownies were trailing in the game as they left at halftime. Four minutes into the second half, Agawam was still on the uphill climb.

From there, it was dead-eye, free throw shooting that helped keep the Brownies undefeated. Before a couple of late clangers from the charity stripe, the Agawam kids toed the stripe and nailed 11-12 (92%) in the second half. 'Hamp was shooting closer to 50% in the heavily-officiated game, and its missed free throws dug a hole deeper and deeper as the clock wound down.

In the first half, Northampton outplayed Agawam by a wide margin. They banged on the glass. They hit three-pointers. They got loose balls and they kept the lead much of the time. They also held Stone off the scoreboard for the first eight minutes. But, Agawam got offensive contributions from Alison Jean, Dina DeMarco, Kristin Schmaelzle, and Shauna Naciewicz, which were just enough to offset a slow start by Stone.

With Stone banging inside for a three-point play with 8:04 in the first half, she gave the Brownies a 12-9 lead. But, 'Hamp had every answer in the first half. Led by Betsy Gonski, a risk-taking guard with a high energy and talent level, Northampton went on an 11-4 burst with Gonski zipping eight points through the hoop during that time.

Agawam's defense of Stone and Schmaelzle on Northampton's big gun, Addie Stiles, worked magnificently all night long. Stiles scored only two points all night, and she had to leap to catch a lob over Schmaelzle and then throw a teardrop over Stone to get that deuce. The kid normally averages in the high teens.

Stiles got herself in deep foul trouble by picking up her third with less than three seconds to go in the half, but when she was in the game, she was not as effective as usual.

Stone Begins To Roll...

Stone started getting to her spots quicker and showed more power inside as she started picking up the scoring slack. By halftime, she was already

in double figures with 11 points.

Meanwhile, Liz Moulton nailed a pair of threes, and Tara Kelly was doing yeoman work on the inside boards as 'Hamp hung around and stayed a factor much of the night.

Gonski worked hard in the paint and hit a smooth lefty off the glass to put the Blue Devils ahead 25-22 early in the second half. But, Stone was ready for a bust-out performance that got her close to her milestone.

She fueled a 16-5 burst by scoring eight points, and Agawam connected on all eight attempted free throws during the run (Stone dropped four of them, and Schmaelzle and DeMarco each added a pair). DeMarco slopped one in off an unorthodox move down the lane for a 38-30 advantage, and separation was beginning to occur.

Gonski remained a thorn to the home team by going bombs away from three-point lead, but the Brownies got five straight points (four more from Stone) to open a 10-point lead for the first time.

Stone soon picked up her fourth foul (6:18) and Conte gave her a chair for a while. 'Hamp immediately got two free throws from Kelly and a three from Moulton (her third of the game), and had cut the lead in half (Agawam was now leading 43-38).

The signature bucket of the game might have come from Katie LaBreck. The little bomber threw up her patented high ball from the left corner, and she drew nothing but cords as she brought the house down. It was a big, big bucket because 'Hamp just kept coming. Patty McCoy and Gonski combined to make three of four free throws, which pulled the Blue Devils to within 45-41.

Stone came back and Conte naturally designed a play just for her. With the whistles blowing like an orchestra, he knew that he could get his kid to the line again and Cyndi responded by dropping a pair. Naciewicz capped a fast break by laying one up and in, and the lead began to widen back out as the clock became Agawam's friend.

It was 50-41 when Stone hit the pine for the final time, and the Brownies were able to handle the full-court pressure for the final two minutes. The Blue Devils hoisted chance after chance from behind the arc in an attempt to get back into it.

Stone should easily reach the 1,000-point plateau on Friday night, January 14th, when the murderous, three-game stretch comes to a close as the aforementioned Longmeadow High Lancers come to play.

Perry Lane Park Summer Jobs Being Posted

The personnel office of the Town of Agawam is accepting applications for summer positions at Perry Lane Park and Camp Rainbow. Applications must be obtained from the personnel office, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam during the hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Applicants may also request an application by contacting the office at 786-0400, ext. 213 or 239. Applications must be returned to the personnel office on or before April 29th, 1994.

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Amherst Outlasts AHS In Boys' Hoop, 62-61

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

As the Youri Zdrak case was still very much on the forefronts of the minds of the Agawam High basketball community, the kids that represent the team put on a show at the Clifford P. Kibbe Gym last Wednesday night in Agawam.

Agawam didn't win the game—they fell just short. The 62-61 loss to the Amherst High Hurricanes denied the Brownies one of their most satisfying wins in years. But it did treat the fans to a marvelous show of heart and character on a frigid winter's night.

Amherst came up big in the last seconds of regulation as it blocked senior guard Mike Knodler, at least twice (as he banged his way along the left baseline looking for the winning shot). It was great drama that happened to end up with a momentary sour taste in the minds of the home folks.

Uphill Battle

The Brownies fought an uphill fight all night. The mountain was never bigger, however, than a 60-50 deficit with less than four minutes to play. The Hurricanes had broken away from a 32-30 halftime lead to systematically extend the margin. Amherst was showing excellent heads-up passing that was resulting in a lot of bunnies on its offensive end.

Yet, when they were forced to go to their half court sets, they generally got the ball inside for some strong stuff on the smart passing game. They looked to be the better team on this night.

Every time they looked to throw the haymaker, Agawam blocked it and then countered it. The Brownies' biggest weapon of the night might have been the three pointer (they connected on five of them). The visitors were shutout in that department (15-0) and that is the significant way high school hoop has changed over the last 15 years. Amherst did most of its living inside the paint and on the foul line.

Nathan Wooley and Todd Boskiewicz each hit two three pointers and freshman Chris Bitzas knocked one through the strings as soon as he came off the pine to give Agawam its first of two leads in the ballgame. Bitzas' trifecta made it 9-8 and later Mike Knodler's free throw made it 10-9. These were the only advantages that the Brownies would enjoy on the scoreboard all evening.

But they were a thrill a minute and that brings us back to this 60-50 thing that appeared to be a major problem. It wasn't, but nobody knew it at the time. Coach Mike Martin sat down some of his taller, starting players and inserted a unit that might be able to handle the cardiac award at any major hospital: Wooley, Bitzas, Joe Dilizia, Knodler, and Justin David. This quintet looked like they all played for Floorburn U after the game, but every one of them would tell you it was worth it.

All Eyes On Wooley

There wasn't a fanny touching a seat in that gymnasium as the Brownie defense went to work. The rest of the kids gave their all, but nobody in the place could take their eyes off Wooley as the

Agawam High Boys' Varsity Swim Team



MEMBERS OF THE 1993-94 Agawam High boys' varsity swim team. Back row, from left - Chad Adbow, Mike Fisher, Konrad Chmiel, Sean Sumner, Jay Reopel, Jeremy Spring (co-captain), and Coach Dave Smith. Front row - Tim Church, Keith Paro, Mark Vincze, Mike Robinson, and Matt Grych. Missing - Dan Jackman, Jonathan David, and Jay Surriera (co-captain). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

kid went into a defensive zone. He was everywhere on that court—sacrificing his body and hitting the floor (and the seats) often.

The result was an 8-0 run capped by a Wooley steal and breakaway. He separated from the chasing defender and laid it up off glass to bring the hysteria up one more notch.

Jeff Matusko helped Amherst collect its breath when he got free for the team's four thousandth layup of the night. David hit a free throw to bring Agawam back within three with 1:17 to play. And Agawam quickly made two more steals.

Dilizia sent the folks into orbit again when he cashed his only points of the night with some power penetration and a soft touch reverse shot to slice the deficit to only one (62-61) with 20 seconds to go. Five seconds later, the crazy Agawam defense created another turnover and AHS had the ball and a chance to win with 15.6 to play.

The ball was inbounded on the right side of the basket and sent swiftly around the perimeter (until it got to the veteran Knodler near the left corner). He made one penetration to get himself within 15 feet and he slashed towards the goal. The ball came back and he got it again. He sliced towards the rim and it was sent back again by a swarm of Hurricanes trying to stem the tide.

The action got louder and louder and more intense as the horn was blowing and the crowd was drowning it out.

Ultimately, the referees shut down the proceedings and the Hurricanes had their draining win. The Brownie loss sent them to their fourth loss in five tries this season. They may not have played a better game this season. Certainly, not a more exciting one.

Hockey Power CHS Sends Brownies To First Ice Defeat, 7-1

by Doug Perdue
Advertiser News Correspondent

Mario Mazza netted two goals to lead a well-balanced offensive attack as Cathedral High of Springfield handed the Agawam High hockey team its first loss of the season last week, 7-1.

Mark Nelson, Jeff Crum, and Mazza helped the Panthers forge to a 3-0 lead before senior Dan Moriarty tallied the Brownies only score, cutting the lead to 3-1.

Kevin Ghareeb fed the puck out of the AHS zone (along the boards) where it was picked up by Jay Biagetti. He carried the puck up right wing into Cathedral territory and fed a beautiful backhand pass to Moriarty. His aim was true and the rubber rifled past goalie Tom Fugiel.

That goal would be the only one to get by Fugiel as Cathedral's defensive corps held the Brownies at bay. The Panthers would score four more times in the second period to gain the 7-1 advantage.

The contest started with both teams skating fast and it seemed sure to be a classic duel between two old rivals. Unfortunately for the Brownies, the game would get away as the 10-day layoff caused by inclement weather became evident.

Cathedral peppered Brownie netminder Derek Benton with shot after shot. Benton couldn't be faulted on any of the seven goals as all were scored from within 10 feet.

Benton played a superb game under difficult circumstances (as he was left all alone more often than not).

With the loss, the Brownies dropped to 5-1 overall and 0-1 in Berry Division play.

Baywest Mite A River Rats Move Into 1st

The Baywest Mite A River Rats moved past Ludlow into first place in the GSJAHF this past week with convincing wins over Westfield and the Springfield Caps.

Against Westfield on January 2nd, Baywest led 3-2 after two periods and then scored the next four en route to a 7-3 win. Matt Doe set the pace with a super hat trick, while James Guay, Thomas Stevens, Robbie Brodeur, and Robbie Harlow added single tallies. Goaltender Jeff Smrecek played a steady game in the nets.

On January 9th, the River Rats stormed out to a 4-0 first-period lead en route to a 9-1 win. Marc

Cowles opened the scoring from Matt Doe, then it was Thomas Stevens from Ben Crum, Jeff Smrecek from a hustling Justin Coelho, and P.J. Fenton scored (assisted by Cowles and Stevens).

In the second period, P.J. Fenton set up scores by Thomas Stevens and Dan Beauchemin. A Marc Cowles goal and two by Robbie Brodeur closed out the scoring. James Guay played solid in goal, as did Robbie Harlow and Rich Borsari on defense.

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To obtain a BB-JC entry form, write to: Big Bass Junior Championship, 15115 S. 76th E. Ave., Bixby, OK 74008, or call toll-free 1-800-883-2292.

White Perch Invade Lake Champlain

White perch may be a scaled-down version of striped bass, to which they are related (despite the name, they are a bass, not a perch), and white perch may be revered in coastal regions of New England where they are native.

But on Lake Champlain, the prolific fish have spawned something of a love/hate relationship with area fishermen.

It is thought that the perch entered the lake from the Hudson River via the Champlain Canal in 1980. The greatest number of white perch are still found in the southern end of the lake near the canal, but last winter white perch were pulled through the ice as far north as the Champlain Islands.

Fishermen on South Lake are primary walleye fishermen; on the North Lake, the main fare is yellow perch. Neither group is thrilled with the arrival of white perch.

If you decide to give the South Lake a try for white perch, the greatest densities are from Champlain Bridge in Addison, south to the canal locks in Whitehall, New York. Within this area, two areas stand out for white perch: 1) the Singing Cedars and Whites Bay area, south from Chipman's Point in Orwell; and the East Creek area (also in Orwell), south from Larabee's Point along Route 74.

Joe Gentile, Jr. and Angy Borgatti hit Littleville last Sunday, with Angy and Joe jigging up 160 yellow perch between them.

As expected, Angy iced the greater part of the catch. (The older he gets, the better he gets.)

Turkey hunters will notice a couple of changes in the new 1994 Abstracts. New regulations have changed shot sizes from no. 2 - no. 6 shot to no. 4 - no. 6 as an added safety measure.

Also, you will see the addition of the requirement that all turkey hunters put the official safety sticker on their shotguns for turkey hunting. For added bonuses, spring gobblers may now be hunted until 12:00 noon (as opposed to the traditional 11:00 a.m. closing), and the zone has been expanded to include ALL of Worcester County now.

Brownies Bounce Back After Cathedral Loss By Cracking Westfield

by Doug Perdue
Advertiser News Correspondent

Agawam High bounced back from its first loss of the season to Cathedral by taking out previously undefeated Westfield High, 5-2 in Berry Division hockey.

The Brownies were led by Eric Mastroianni, who recorded a hat-trick and single tallies by Marc Turgeon and Sean Szygiel.

Coach Fran Pycko's charges came out flying from the opening faceoff and went right to the attack. Only superb goaltending for Westfield enabled to the score to be knotted at 1-1 at the end of one period.

The second period was all Agawam as the Brownies scored four consecutive goals to forge a 5-1 lead. Westfield would answer with one more goal before the period ended to make it 5-2 after two.

The third period would be a scoreless one as both teams started to get physical. Referee Joe Calcisola let it be known he wouldn't be putting up with any antics from either team by whistling a multitude of penalties.

Despite the many infractions, the game never got out of control and AHS was able to skate away with the victory.

The line of Mastroianni, Turgeon, and Szygiel played an outstanding game. This group accounted for all five Brownie goals. Assistant Coach John Cirelli thought it was easily the best game the line has played in two seasons.

"That's the best game I've ever seen them play together," Cirelli commented. "They came out flying from the first drop of the puck and completely dominated the game."

Another bright spot for the Brownies was the continuing improvement of goaltender Derek Benton, who was solid again between the pipes. Agawam improved its record to 6-1 overall and 1-1 in Berry Division play.

Next up for the Brownies is Pittsfield on Saturday, January 15th, at 8:30 p.m., up there.

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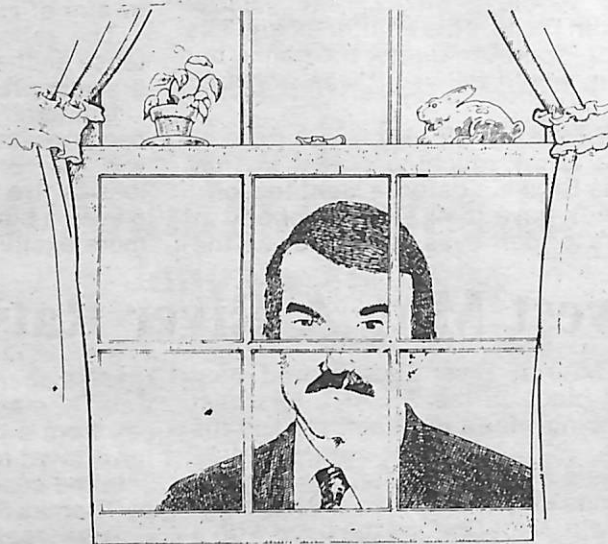
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Brownie Grapplers Have Easy Night Caging Ludlow Lions

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Now this team is really beginning to test its elasticity. The successful Agawam High wrestling team is now engaging in the concept of time travel!

They have accomplished everything else on their incredible seven-year run of excellence. They have won the Western Mass. Division I title every year since the Chicago Fire, and they have won (or nearly won) the State Title almost every year, too.

They pound away on their opponents in dual meets as if they weren't even there, and Coach Phil Tomkiel doesn't look for it to end anytime soon. There is a commitment and a focus on the squad that involves current wrestlers, former wrestlers, current coaches, former coaches, and a rather large contingent of fans.

It is the definition of juggernaut. Nobody disputes that. If you wrestle in Massachusetts, then you know what happens when you run up against that team with the "Big A" in the middle of those ugly orange uniforms. You get beat!

But, what happened last Wednesday afternoon might have been the coup de gras.

It was a busy day for Agawam High varsity sports. Lou Conte's girls' basketball team had a 4:30 p.m. game at home against the defending state champion Hurricanes of Amherst High. Mike Martin would take his troops up against the Hurricane boys' team at 8:00 p.m. at AHS. And, the wrestlers had a 3:30 p.m. meet in Ludlow against the Lions.

There was a slim chance that I could cover all three events, but when factoring in the distance from Ludlow High to Agawam High, it seemed as if there was no way that I could be back in Agawam in time to do the public announcing chores at the scorer's table.

So, grudgingly, I missed the wrestling. I don't miss much wrestling. At 4:25, I took up my position at the table right next to my good buddy Cyndi Grieve (yes, field hockey Coach Cyndi Grieve was running the clock). The game was about to begin when Assistant Wrestling Coach Tom Cascio strolled over towards the table. He extended his hand to wish me "Happy New Year" when I realized that he was supposed to be in Ludlow for the meet.

Tommy doesn't miss much wrestling, either. "Tommy, you're supposed to be in Ludlow—what happened?" I asked. He replied, "I'm just getting back from Ludlow. We won 68-12. We started the match at 3:32, and we were out of there by 4:05."

Yes, ladies and gents, welcome to AHS wrestling. Maybe they wanted to see the girls' game, too!

Several Forfeits Speed Up The Contest

Agawam was given an opportunity to speed up matters as Adam Tebaldi, Jon Scalise, Kirk Parker, Chris Langdon, Dan Vargas, and Jon Jacobsen were all awarded forfeits. And, Tomkiel went largely with a junior varsity unit and others wrestling out of their normal lineup position.

Chad Boucher got a pin at 119 (he normally wrestles at 112); Dennis Clark pinned his foe in 2:44 in the 135-pound bout; Matt Bryant zipped to a fall in 5:29 at 145 pounds; and Derek Parker banged down Ludlow's heavyweight in just 1:10. Alex Gomez was the only Brownie to win a match by decision; he did a nice job in downing his foe 6-0 at 112 pounds.

The only Brownies to drop matches on the day were Eddie Shibley (a junior varsity performer at 103) and Matt Gordon (another junior varsity member who dropped his match at 160). Both wrestlers were pinned.

Agawam missed a chance to have a lot of fun last Saturday when the weather snowed out a busy day which would have seen Southwick, East Longmeadow, Westfield, and Pittsfield all on the premises for some hot action on a cold day. Aggressive scheduling has left no available holes which could be used to reschedule that action.

The Brownies travel to West Springfield at presstime.

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Agawam AA Piranhas Beat Sharks

The Agawam AA Piranhas swim team beat the Springfield Sharks 420-400 at a home meet at the Agawam Jr. High School on December 3rd, 1993. The results included:

Girls 8 & under:

In the 100-yard medley relay, the team of Lauren Fox, Brittany Theriaque, Jillian Kos, and Julia Weisgerber placed first.

The team of Katie Gorman, Bethany Reid, Leigh Stepanian, and Allison Morris placed second in the 100-yard freestyle relay; the team of Cassie Freeman, Genevieve Wojcik, Kristin Wojcik, and Jillian Kos placed third.

Jillian Kos, second, and Katie Gorman, third in 25-yard freestyle.

Brittany Theriaque, first, and Julia Weisgerber, third in 25-yard butterfly.

Brittany Theriaque, second in 50-yard freestyle. Cassie Freeman, third in 25-yard backstroke.

Bethany Reid, first, Lauren Fox, second, and Caitlin Hurley, third in 25-yard breaststroke.

Boys 8 & under:

In the 100-yard medley relay, the team of Matt Lawlor, Paul Lagasse, Ben Brusi, and Daniel Adamski placed first.

The team of Sam Young, Tim Lawlor, Kyle Ramstrum, and Tom Gorman placed first in the 100-yard freestyle relay; the team of Jeff Lagasse, Doug Duquette, Eric Ramstrum, and Ben Bruso placed second.

Jamie Lewin, third in 25-yard freestyle. Daniel Adamski, first, Paul Lagasse, second, and Tim Lawlor, third in 25-yard butterfly.

Matt Lawlor, first, and Tom Gorman, second in 50-yard freestyle.

Jeff Lagasse, first, Kyle Ramstrum, second, and Eric Ramstrum, third in 25-yard backstroke.

Sam Young, second, and Jeff Lagasse, third in 25-yard breaststroke.

Daniel Adamski, first in 100-yard individual medley.

Girls 9-10:

In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Kyleigh Egan, Christine Climo, Amanda Fox, and Hilary Golas placed second.

The team of Kyleigh Egan, Ashley King, Lisa Menzone, and Kelly Curry placed third in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Hilary Golas, second in the 100-yard individual medley and first in 50-yard freestyle.

Kara Gilhooly, second, and Kyleigh Egan, third in 50-yard butterfly.

Amanda Fox, first, and Kara Gilhooly, second in 100-yard freestyle.

Amanda Fox, first, and Lisa Menzone, second in 50-yard backstroke.

Christina Climo, second in 50-yard breaststroke.

Boys 9-10:

In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Nathan Adamski, Ryan Sullivan, Brian McGuire, and Joseph Santaniello placed second.

The team of Matthew Smith, Josh Lewin, Daniel Auger, and Ryan Hanley placed first in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Ryan Sullivan, second, and Brian McGuire, third in 100-yard individual medley.

Joseph Santaniello, second, and Matthew Smith, third in 50-yard freestyle.

Ryan Sullivan, first, and Brian McGuire, third in 50-yard butterfly.

Ryan Hanley, second in 100-yard freestyle. Nathan Adamski, third in 50-yard backstroke.

Josh Lewin, third in 50-yard breaststroke.

Girls 11-12:

In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Shaunessy Egan, Caitlin Weisgerber, Kimberly Sullivan, and Bridget Donovan placed first; the team of Sarah Nacewicz, Allison Pisano, Shannon Costa, and Jillian Abbow placed third.

The team of Shaunessy Egan, Katie Theroux, Jennifer McGuire, and Jillian Abbow placed second in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Kimberly Sullivan, first in 200-yard individual medley.

Caitlin Weisgerber, first in 200-yard freestyle. Bridget Donovan, first, and Jillian Abbow, second in 50-yard freestyle.

Caitlin Weisgerber, first, and Shaunessy Egan, second in 50-yard butterfly.

Bridget Donovan, first, Sarah Nacewicz, second, and Allison Pisano, third in 100-yard freestyle.

Kimberly Sullivan, first, and Katie Theroux, third in 50-yard backstroke.

Boys 11-12:

Nick Duquette, second, and Jeff Robinson, third in 50-yard freestyle.

Jeff Robinson, first in 100-yard freestyle. Tom Casiello, first in 50-yard backstroke.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, the team of Jeff Robinson, Tom Casiello, Thomas Graveline, and Jeff Rivkin placed second.

Girls 13-14:

In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Marci Rackliffe, Danielle Deforge, Kelli Kunkel, and Gina Cellili placed first.

Tara Rivkin, first, and Kelli Kunkel, second in 200-yard individual medley.

Gina Cellili, second in 200-yard freestyle. Gina Leclair, second, and Darcy Bates, third in 50-yard freestyle.

Eileen Daly, first in 100-yard butterfly. Natalie Piccin, second, and Gina Leclair, third in 50-yard freestyle.

Gina Cellili, third in 100-yard backstroke. Danielle Deforge, second in 100-yard backstroke.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, the team of Tara Rivkin, Natalie Piccin, Eileen Daly, and Kelli Kunkel placed second; the team of Marci Rackliffe, Danielle Deforge, Abby Turner, and Gina Leclair placed third.

Boys 13-14:

Chad Abbow, second in 50-yard freestyle and second in 100-yard freestyle.

Girls 15-18:

Rachel Niemiec, first in 100-yard backstroke.

Big Dogfight In Tri-Parish Bowling

A wild dogfight for first place in the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League continues as St. Louis, Catholic University, and St. Mary all check in with 16 wins followed closely by three other teams.

St. Louis is the official leader in Round Two because of total team pinfall. St. Lou took three wins from eighth place Holy Cross (9 wins) to shore-up their claim (at least this week) for first place.

St. Lou winners included substitute leadoff RICH SNYDER (323), second roller MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (283), and high-flying Captain SCOTT MASSOIA, who launched a 365. He leads the Men's A at 107.9. Massoia did a real number on dazed and crazed HC Captain LARRY VIENS. He hit a respective 310 but still lost by 55 pins! Salvaging one victory for HC was third roller DON STITT (310). Miss Consistent Coughlin rolls at 90.36 in Women's A, good for fifth place.

Catholic University (16 wins) absorbed a tough night vs. fifth place St. Anselm (14 wins), one win to three. St. A's winners were BERT PRESZ (279-278 over BONNIE MASSOIA) and STEVE BONESTEEL (315, a 38 pin victory over TED LEAL-277). Bonesteel proved to be the key in this one.

Winners for CU were leadoff MARY THOMAS (273) and Captain JIM SNYDER (346). Snyder helped saved some of the day by defeating St. A's Captain LOU MULDER (322). Snyder rolls at

107.1 in Men's AA while Mulder is at 104.46, also in Men's AA. Bert Presz rolls at 85.47 in Men's C and Steve Bonesteel is tops in Men's B at 96.43.

St. Mary's (16 wins) moved right into contention by taking out sixth place Notre Dame (13 wins), three wins to one. Winners for St. Mary's were JAY LAGODITZ (258) and TERRY HILL (296). Winners for ND were hard-rolling GLEN ADAMS (321) and Captain AL MORRISON (370), the top dog in the entire league at 120.31. Morrison had his hands full against RICK SHEEHAN, who mustered 359 to keep his team on the leader's board. Sheehan is third in Men's AA at 106.28.

Fordham (14 wins, fourth place) and Boston College (6 wins, last place) split their match, two wins each. Winners for Fordham were reliable RENEE JURY (284), FRANK CERPOVICZ (297), and Captain OLLY MULDER (319). This was a rather lackluster match as only STELLA BARBIERI (323) of BC managed to get out of the 270-range for her team. Stella leads the Women's C at 87.20. Mulder really drubbed BC Captain JOHN MLINEK, who managed just a 276. Frank Cerpovicz is at 96.4, good for third place in Men's B.

In the final match of the night, ninth place Georgetown (7 wins) drubbed seventh place St. Michael (9 wins), three wins to one. Winners for G-Town were DOT DREWAINY (260), LARRY FORTIER (274), and the top women's roller in the league, DEBBIE POIRIER (337-105.4). St. Mike's Captain TOM CURTIS did hold his own at 306, and leadoff VENETTA SNYDER hit a 289 (89.15 in Women's B).

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Sports A La Carte...

Raiders Take Step Towards Super Bowl

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

From my information at presstime, three separate videotapes exist regarding the incident with NANCY KERRIGAN and her unknown assailant.

I say, let's get them on "America's Most Wanted," "Unsolved Mysteries," Oprah, and Geraldo, and we'll have that clown in custody in less than an hour. What are they waiting for?...

Speaking of insanity, guess who made another command performance? SENOR CHUTEHEAD held up the start of the Bronco-Raider game by parachuting into the LA Coliseum last Sunday. He is the same imbecile that landed on the top rope of the Bowe-Holyfield fight in Las Vegas while the bout was ongoing.

He is saying now to expect to see him at the Super Bowl. Whatever happened to the guy masquerading as an umpire or a player? Those days were a little mellow...

IVAN LENDL had less-than-kind things to say about BORIS BECKER and his claims that all tennis players must take drugs to relax and get through the pressures of their lifestyle.

Mr. Lendl, among others, dispute Becker's claims and are looking for tennis' governing bodies to take action against the German unless his claims can be substantiated...

STERLING SHARPE and SHANNON SHARPE couldn't have made their parents any prouder last weekend. The Packer receiver (Sterling) lived up to his first name with a three TD performance, and the Bronco tight end (Shannon) tied a playoff record with 13 catches.

Surely, there is an endorsement coming along soon...

A radio talk show host talked candidly about the effectiveness of JEFF HOSTETLER as a playoff QB. He was ranting and raving about Hoss' 4-0 playoff record, and he said that he felt that Hostetler was a cross between JIM PLUNKETT, DARRYL LAMONICA, and KEN STABLER—all famous Raider QB's.

Hmmm, let's take a closer look. Plunkett never looked pretty—he just won all the big games (try two Super Bowl rings on for size). Check—Hoss can hang in that category with his unbeaten playoff run.

Lamonica used all the tools that the Raider management gave him, and he (as instructed) stretched the field vertically, almost on every drive. Hostetler is testing that theory by letting ALEXANDER WRIGHT, JAMES JETT, and TIM BROWN head out for those downtown heaves. And Stabler was the master at keeping a drive alive and winning the close games.

I haven't got any trouble with that comparison, but I met a couple of fellows that did during this past reporting period...

On a recent NHL Tuesday, I checked the records of the 10 teams competing in the five contests scheduled for that evening. Seven of the teams came from the USA (Boston, Pittsburgh, Washington, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Chicago, and Dallas) and all of them had won-loss records of better than .500.

There were only three teams scheduled from north of the border (Ottawa, Edmonton, and Toronto), and only the Maple Leafs could say that they were above the break-even mark...

If you are looking to break into the professional football broadcasting business, you might want to drop a note to a fellow by the name of GEORGE J. KRIEGER. He has been named Executive Vice President for Fox Sports, and we all know about the little coup that those folks recently pulled.

Send your resume right to Mr. Krieger and see what happens...

I wonder if Orlando has a dental plan. TREE ROLLINS is back in the NBA, as he came out of retirement for a 10-day contract to give the Magic a little depth in the middle. Rollins is an assistant coach with the Magic...

Good on ya, TYRONE WHEATLEY. The Michigan Wolverine running back has decided to

stay in school and finish his education before turning pro. He has the talent to come out and make himself a pile of cash, but he is going to wait. Dig it...

"No matter what the other needs—if a (PETE) HARNISCH or an ANDY BENES are available, they become a priority. Sure, we need another bat, but it could be that we can do that in the spring if we have the excess of pitching we think we'll have..."

That, ladies and gentlemen, is how LOU GORMAN (GM Boston Red Sox) is thinking in January. Sounds very logical to me. If the staff is solid, they will be able to make a deal for just about anything else that they will need.

A footnote here: The Sox are also courting a fellow by the name of MEL HALL. Say it ain't so...

Seattle Supersonics Stats: Six straight victories; an NBA best 15-1 at home; an NBA best 26-3 overall record; six guys averaging in double figures (SHAWN KEMP, RICKEY PIERCE, GARY PAYTON, DETLEF SCHREMPF, KENDALL GILL, and SAM PERKINS); and they are all healthy as horses.

I really believe that they can win it all this year, especially with the medical troubles that will slow CHARLES BARKLEY for a long time this season...

If anybody ever asks you what high school championship drew the most fans—look them straight in the eye and tell them that the Kentucky State Championships in 1981 drew over 20,000 people.

You will be absolutely correct if you do. Many people feel that the Indiana State Championships are the most popular and they may well be, but Market Square Arena holds just 17,490 and the Hoosier faithful have been filling it every year from 1975-1989.

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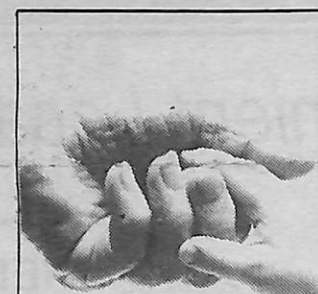
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